



TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND

County Council

MINUTES

June 3, 2014

Present – President Corey W. Pack, Vice President Laura E. Price, Thomas G. Duncan, R. Andrew Hollis, County Manager Clay B. Stamp, County Attorney Michael Pullen and Staff Attorney Tony Kupersmith. Council member Dirck K. Bartlett was absent.

- I. Agenda – Mr. Pack requested and received Council’s unanimous consent for approval of the Agenda of Tuesday, June 3, 2014
- II. Disbursements – Mr. Pack requested and received Council’s unanimous consent for approval of the Disbursements of June 3, 2014.
- III. Presentation of Certificate of Commendation – The Honorable Broughton M. Earnest – Prior to the reading of the Certificate of Commendation into the record, Judge Earnest stated that it had been an honor to have served the citizens of Talbot County for the past seven plus years. He expressed his appreciation to the Council for their years of support of, and cooperation with, the court system. Council members then expressed their appreciation to Judge Earnest for his service and noteworthy contributions to the Talbot County judicial system; County Attorney Mike Pullen and Staff Attorney Tony Kupersmith spoke of Judge Earnest as a positive mentor. The Clerk then read the commendation into the record. The commendation spoke of Judge Earnest’s contributions to the legal profession in both the public and private sectors for the past 45 years. Upon motion by Mr. Hollis, seconded by Mr. Duncan, the Council approved the Certificate of Commendation by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Pack – Aye
Mr. Hollis – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Duncan – Aye
- IV. Presentation by Talbot County Public Schools Regarding FY 14 Budget Modification – Kelly Griffith, Superintendent, Talbot County Public Schools; Charles Connolly, Director of Finance, Talbot County Public Schools – Ms. Griffith briefed the Council on the use of additional appropriations in the sum of \$11,595.48 provided to the Board of Education by the County in December 2013; the funds were derived from the Education Supplement component of Talbot County property taxes which were in excess of the amount budgeted to be collected. She stated that the funds were used to provide before and after-school gifted and talented programming for third through fifth graders in the county, including exploratory language, dinosaurs and fossils, exploring literature through comic books, chess, Spanish for elementary students, drawing, oceanography, force in motion, and electrical circuits. Ms. Griffith stated that 141 students participated in the programming, with \$6,832.19 of the funding used for teacher stipends and \$4,763.29 for instructional materials; the remaining \$539.75 will be utilized to purchase future materials. Ms. Griffith then requested Council approval, as is required, for a budget modification to the Board of budget for the FY 2013-2014 year as follows: **Revenues** – County Appropriations from \$34,361,680.00 to \$34,373,275.48, an increase of \$11,595.48; **Expenditures** – Teacher Stipends from \$162,287.00 to \$169,119.19, an increase of \$6,832.19; and **Expenditures** – MOI Central from \$147,947.00 to

\$153,710.29, an increase of \$4,763.29. Upon motion by Mr. Hollis, seconded by Ms. Price, the Council approved the Board of Education budget modification for FY 14 as presented by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Pack – Aye
Mr. Hollis – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Duncan – Aye

V. County Manager’s Report:

A. Request to Award Airport Consultant, URS, Additional Funding – Requested

Council approval to award Airport consultant, URS, additional start-up funding in the sum of \$15,000 for costs associated with the necessary planning, environmental revisions, design revisions and coordination of the Runway 4-22 obstruction removal project at Easton Airport. Mr. Stamp stated that the funding will also cover the consultant’s costs for participation in a public hearing on the matter, preparation of bid documents for the project and other bid-related tasks, preparation of the new grant request to the Federal Aviation Administration for the obstruction removal, and oversight of the project; URS is the consultant of record for the obstruction removal project. Mr. Pack expressed Council’s appreciation to the Town of Easton for their decision on the matter on June 2, 2014, and thanked Mr. Pullen for his efforts to move the matter forward. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Duncan, the Council approved the allocation of \$15,000 as an additional start-up fee for the obstruction removal project by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Pack – Aye
Mr. Hollis – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Duncan – Aye

VI. Council Comments:

Mr. Duncan - No comments.

Ms. Price – Ms. Price stated the County Council Candidate Forum held on May 20th had been filmed by MCTV and is being shown this week at 10:00 a.m. this morning; 6:00 p.m. tonight, and 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Thursday. She thanked MCTV for posting the video so all citizens in Talbot County can have an opportunity to hear the candidates.

Mr. Hollis – No comments

Mr. Pack - No comments.

VII. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Duncan, the Council voted to adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of legal, personnel, and real estate matters, to reconvene on Tuesday, June 17, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in Executive Session for discussion of legal, personnel, and real estate matters, and at 6:00 p.m. for the regularly scheduled meeting by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Pack – Aye
Mr. Hollis– Aye
Ms. Price – Aye

Mr. Duncan - Aye

The meeting adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

The transcript of the June 3, 2014 County Council meeting is available for review in the Office of the County Manager during regular office hours.

XI. On Tuesday, June 3, 2014, an Executive Session of the Talbot County Council convened at 12:45 p.m. in the County Council Conference Room and the Bradley Meeting Room. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Duncan, the Council met in Executive Session by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

- Mr. Bartlett – Absent
- Mr. Duncan – Aye
- Mr. Hollis – Aye
- Mr. Pack – Aye
- Ms. Price – Aye

In accordance with State Article § 10-508 (a)(3)(4)(7)(8) the purpose of the Executive Session was a legal matter for legal advice regarding potential litigation; for a real estate matter for legal advice regarding proposed disposal of County-owned property; and for a legal/real estate matter for legal advice concerning relocation of Memorial Hospital at Easton to County-owned property and timetable for same. The Executive Session recessed at 1:30 p.m. and reconvened at 2:10 p.m. The Executive Session ended at 4:15 p.m.

CASH STATEMENT 6/03/2014

BALANCE 5/27/2014	\$20,633,556.84
TRANSFER MAA DEPOSIT TO AIP39	(468.22)
BOARD OF EDUCATION 5/2014	(2,863,473.00)
TALBOT COUNTY OPEB TRUST TRANSFER	(1,961,000.00)
TALBOT COUNTY PUBLIC IMP BOND-2008 PYMT	(365,687.50)
STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS PPE 5/13/2014	(5,031.17)
INTEGRA 6/2014	(16,360.64)
DEPOSITS	180,078.56
CHECKS	(475,692.15)
VOID CHECK NO.S 285939, 289553,289580,289912	773.49
BALANCE 6/03/2014	<u>15,126,696.21</u>

AIRPORT ACCOUNTS

AIP-RUNWAY 4-22 EXTENSION ANALYSIS	--
AIP37	303.68
AIP39	
BALANCE 5/27/2014	76,044.29
TRANS FR GEN FUND	468.22
	76,512.51
AIRPORT ACCOUNTS TOTAL BALANCE	<u>76,816.19</u>

INVESTMENTS – CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

<u>CERTIFICATE DATE</u>	<u>MATURITY DATE</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
PNC-MLGIP INVESTMENTS TOTAL		0.05%	18,000,000.00
TOTAL INVESTED			<u>\$18,000,000.00</u>
PETTY CASH BALANCE			<u>\$8,570.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS			<u>\$33,212,082.40</u>