



TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND

County Council

MINUTES

September 13, 2022

Present – President Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Corey W. Pack, Laura Everngam Price, County Manager Clay Stamp, and County Attorney Patrick Thomas. Vice President Pete Lesher was absent.

- I. Agenda – Mr. Callahan requested and received unanimous consent for approval of the Agenda of Tuesday, September 13, 2022.
- II. Minutes – Mr. Callahan requested and received unanimous consent for approval of the Minutes of Tuesday, August 11, 2022 and Tuesday, August 23, 2022.
- III. Disbursements – Mr. Callahan requested and received unanimous consent for approval of the Disbursements of Tuesday, August 30, 2022, Tuesday, September 6, 2022 and Tuesday, September 13, 2022.
- IV. Presentation on Frederick Douglass Day Project – Autumn Redman, Student, Easton High School – Ms. Redman, a student at Easton High School, briefed the Council on her Girl Scout Gold Award project, the *Frederick Douglass Geocaching Walking Tour of Easton*. Individuals can participate in the tour using GPS coordinates to locate six (6) locations in Talbot County to learn more about Talbot County's native son; the passports and commemorative coins for the geocaching tour were also designed by Ms. Redman. She then presented a red, white, and blue mosaic of Mr. Douglass she had made as another component of her Girl Scout Gold Award project. Both the geocaching walking tour and the public display of the mosaic will be launched at the Frederick Douglass Day Event scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2022; the mosaic will be on display at the Talbot County Free Library in Easton during the Frederick Douglass Day Event. Ms. Redman, a student member of the Frederick Douglass Honor Society, stated that following the Frederick Douglass Day Event, the mosaic will travel to various locations throughout Talbot County as a community art piece. Council commended Ms. Redman for her presentation and congratulated her on her Girl Scout Gold Award project.
- V. Presentation by Brookletts Place, The Talbot County Senior Center – Childlene Brooks, Manager, Brookletts Place; Ann DeMart, Manager, Bay Hundred Senior Center – Ms. Brooks expressed her appreciation to the Council for the County's continued support of senior citizens in Talbot County and for their attendance at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the parking lot expansion at Brookletts Place held earlier in the day. She highlighted upcoming events, including *StrongerMemory*, a brain health program for older adults on Monday, September 19, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. and *Getting Back Out There: How to Re-Engage After the Pandemic*, a panel discussion on elder abuse and social isolation to be held on Thursday, September 29, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. Both events will take place at Brookletts Place located at 400 Brookletts Ave., Easton, Maryland 21601. Council members expressed their appreciation to Ms. Brooks and Ms. DeMart for all they do for the senior citizen community at their respective senior centers and for their collaboration with the YMCA in St. Michaels. Ms. Brooks and Ms. DeMart will continue to update the Council on a regular or as-needed basis.
- VI. Proclamation – National Senior Center Month – September 2022 – The Clerk read a proclamation into the record in recognition of the role of senior centers in mobilizing the creativity, energy and commitment of

the older adults in our communities to contribute to their own health and well-being as well as that of their fellow community members through the sharing of their experiences, skills and knowledge. Upon motion by Mr. Pack, seconded by Ms. Price, the Council approved the proclamation by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan – Aye
Mr. Divilio – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Pack – Aye

Mr. Pack presented the Proclamation to Ms. Brooks and Ms. DeMart who accepted on behalf of Brookletts Place – the Talbot County Senior Center in Easton and the Bay Hundred Senior Center in St. Michaels.

- VII. Update to Talbot County Board of Health – Maria Maguire, M.D., MPP, FAAP, Talbot County Health Officer – Dr. Maguire stated that September is Emergency Preparedness Month and encouraged everyone to build an emergency kit (first aid, medications and supplies for infants and pets) and suggested citizens visit www.ready.gov/plan for further guidance and information; to make a plan to know where to go and how to stay in touch; and to stay informed by signing up for local alerts. She utilized a PowerPoint presentation to brief the Council on the following matters: 1) Monkeypox – She stated that the disease has now been declared a Public Health emergency of international concern, explained its symptoms, treatment, and the segment of the population most likely to contract the disease, and emphasized that the risk of contracting the disease by the general population is low; 2) COVID 19 – Dr. Maguire provided statistical information on the current number of cases and hospitalizations per day and stated that both Pfizer and Moderna have developed new vaccine formulas that cover the Omicron B.A.4 and B.A.5 variants; the new vaccines are currently available to individuals aged 12 and older. She stated that the vaccine is available at the Talbot County Health Department Vaccine Center located at 102 Marlboro Avenue in Easton or at the following pharmacies: Giant, Hills, Pemberton (St. Michaels) and Walgreens; 3) School Health – Dr. Maguire stated that a full time registered nurse is present in seven Talbot County Public Schools buildings and collectively had over 46,000 health office visits during the 2021-2022 school year. She stated that the Health Department is collaborating with Talbot County Emergency Services to certify additional nurses to teach CPR and to provide CPR classes for teachers and staff of Talbot County Public Schools; 4) Mobile Testing – She stated that the Health Department is partnering with the Talbot County Detention Center to offer testing for HIV, Hepatitis C, blood pressure and blood sugar levels to inmates; 5) Behavioral Health – Dr. Maguire stated that the opioid epidemic, which is responsible for 90% of the unintentional intoxication deaths in Maryland, continues to be driven by illicit fentanyl. She provided statistical information on the number of non-fatal overdoses in Talbot County for FY21 and outlined outreach initiatives and the challenge to the behavioral crisis response due to the recent closure of several local clinics and the shortage of personnel; and 6) Upcoming Events: She stated that health insurance open enrollment through Maryland Health Connection begins on November 1 and continues through December 15, 2022; there will be a rabies drive-thru clinic on Saturday, October 8th at the Talbot County Government Building located at 215 Bay Street in Easton at a cost is \$6 per animal; and encouraged individuals to get the flu vaccine.

VIII. Introduction of Administrative Resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND (THE “COUNTY”), AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING TWENTY FOUR MILLION NINE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$24,900,000) PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF BILL NO. 1522 ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF TALBOT COUNTY ON JULY 26, 2022 (THE “PUBLIC LOCAL LAW”), SECTION 10-203 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (2013 REPLACEMENT VOLUME, AS AMENDED) (THE “ENABLING ACT”) AND SECTION 623 OF THE

CHARTER OF TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND (THE “CHARTER”), THE BONDS, TO BE DESIGNATED “TALBOT COUNTY PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2022”, THE NET PROCEEDS OF THE SALE THEREOF TO BE USED AND APPLIED FOR THE PUBLIC PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR REFINANCING THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION, RENOVATION, CONSTRUCTION AND/OR FURNISHING OF A TALBOT COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING AND A TALBOT COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT; PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND TENOR OF THE BONDS AND THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE THEREOF AT PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SALE, INCLUDING THE FORM OF THE NOTICE OF SALE; PRESCRIBING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE BONDS AND ALL OTHER DETAILS INCIDENT TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF A PRELIMINARY AND FINAL OFFICIAL STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ANY TAXES NECESSARY FOR THE PROMPT PAYMENT OF THE MATURING PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS, AND PROVIDING THAT THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT AND TAXING POWER OF TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND SHALL BE PLEDGED TO THE PAYMENT OF SUCH PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST, SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATION ON THE TAX LEVY SET OUT IN SECTION 614 OF THE CHARTER OF TALBOT COUNTY; AND GENERALLY RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE, DELIVERY AND PAYMENT OF THE BONDS was read into the record by the Clerk and brought forward for introduction. Angela Lane, Consultant, Talbot County Finance Office, stated that the administrative resolution before the Council is the final piece of legislation on which the Council needs to act in order to sell bonds for the health department and public safety complex projects. The administrative resolution was introduced by Mr. Callahan, Mr. Divilio, Mr. Pack, and Ms. Price. Upon motion by Mr. Pack, seconded by Ms. Price, the Council approved the administrative resolution by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan – Aye
Mr. Divilio – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Pack – Aye

The Administrative Resolution is effective immediately.

IX. Introduction of Numbered Resolutions:

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE TALBOT COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWER PLAN FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECLASSIFYING AND REMAPPING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4480 BACHELORS POINT ROAD, OXFORD, MARYLAND, SHOWN ON TAX MAP 53 AS PARCEL 77, FROM “W-2” AND “S-2” TO “W-1” AND “S-1” IMMEDIATE PRIORITY STATUS FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE FROM THE OXFORD WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEM was read into the record by the Clerk and brought forward for introduction. Prior to introduction, Ray Clarke, County Engineer, stated that an application had been received from the Town of Oxford for the referenced parcel to change the category for water and sewer service from planned service in three to five years to immediate priority status; the Town of Oxford is supportive of the change. The resolution was introduced by Mr. Callahan, Mr. Divilio, Mr. Pack, and Ms. Price as Resolution No. 335. A public hearing was scheduled for Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bradley Meeting Room, South Wing, Talbot County Courthouse, 11 N. Washington Street, Easton, Maryland 21601. The Talbot County Public Works Advisory Board and the Talbot County Planning Commission will review Resolution No. 335 at their meetings on Thursday, September 15, 2022 and Wednesday, October 5, 2022, respectively.

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE TALBOT COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWER PLAN FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING OR MODIFYING THE TALBOT COUNTY CAPITAL PROJECT FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023 AND 2024 TO ADD A NEW CAPITAL PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4.718 MILLION FOR WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE TOWN OF OXFORD was read into the record by the Clerk and brought forward for introduction. Prior to introduction, Ray Clarke, County Engineer, stated that the project is a capital project for the Town of Oxford's water system. He stated that the Town of Oxford has applied for funding from the Maryland Department of the Environment, and in order to be considered for funding, the project must be included in the County's Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan. The resolution was introduced by Mr. Callahan, Mr. Divilio, Mr. Pack, and Ms. Price as Resolution No. 336. A public hearing was scheduled for Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bradley Meeting Room, South Wing, Talbot County Courthouse, 11 N. Washington Street, Easton, Maryland 21601. The Talbot County Public Works Advisory Board and the Talbot County Planning Commission will review Resolution No. 336 at their meetings on Thursday, September 15, 2022 and Wednesday, October 5, 2022, respectively.

X. Public Hearings:

Resolution No. 333, A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AMENDED RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE TALBOT COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS was read into the record by the Clerk and brought forward for public hearing. Prior to the public hearing, Patrick Thomas, County Attorney, stated that the Board of Appeals has the authority to adopt Rules of Procedure which must then be approved by the County Council. He stated that the current Rules of Procedure have undergone a comprehensive revision and inconsistencies have been clarified. Frank Cavanaugh, Chairman, Board of Appeals, stated that the Board's Rules of Procedures were last changed in 2007; since that time, procedures have changed, including that forms are now submitted online. He stated that the revisions were begun in 2019 but were delayed due to COVID-19. He stated that the revisions now before the Council for approval received input from County staff and the County attorney and reflect the Rules of Procedure currently being used; Members of the public were afforded an opportunity to comment on the proposed resolution. Written comments will be accepted on Resolution No. 333 until close of business on Friday, September 23, 2022. Resolution No. 333 is eligible for vote on Tuesday, September 27, 2022.

Resolution No. 334, A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 175, A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH SEWER SERVICE CONNECTION POLICIES FROM THE UNIONVILLE, TUNIS MILLS, AND COPPERVILLE SEWER SERVICE AREA LOW-PRESSURE FORCE MAIN COLLECTION SYSTEM TO THE ROYAL OAK PUMP STATION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXEMPTING COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL USES AND SERVICES FROM THE PROVISIONS THEREOF, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS was read into the record and brought forward for public hearing. Prior to the public hearing, Ray Clarke, County Engineer, stated that the County owns five (5) parcels along the force main route between the Unionville Pump Station (MD Route 33) and the Royal Oak Pump Station (MD Route 329), three (3) of which are currently in the sewer service area – the Unionville Pump Station, the Royal Oak Pump Station and the Oak Creek Landing. The two (2) remaining parcels are near the area known as “the Pin Cushion”, an agricultural parcel just off MD Route 33 behind the location of the former Carroll's Market and a parcel behind the residential area on Glebe Road which abuts the force main route. He stated that the County also owns the parcel where the Repurposing Center is located which is not along a force main; this proposed change would allow the County to extend sewer to the County owned properties. Mr. Clarke stated that soil testing is currently in process at the site of the Repurposing Center for an on-site sewage disposal system; extension of sewer to the Repurposing Center is not planned at this time. Council discussion ensued with Mr. Clarke. Resolution No. 334 is eligible for vote on Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

Bill No. 1523, A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 190 OF THE TALBOT COUNTY CODE (ZONING, SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT) TO ADD A DEFINITION OF “COUNTRY CLUB”

AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPANSION AND MAJOR MODIFICATION OF A NONCONFORMING COUNTRY CLUB IN THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION (RC) DISTRICT was read into the record by the Clerk and brought forward for public hearing. Prior to the public hearing, Bryce Yelton, Planner II, stated that the proposed legislation would add a definition for “country club” to the Talbot County Code; currently, golf courses and country clubs are combined in the land use table of the County Code. He stated that, if approved, the legislation would provide for expansion of nonconforming country clubs in the RC District. Council discussion ensued with Mr. Yelton and Brennan Tarleton, Acting Planning Officer. Members of the public were then afforded an opportunity to comment on the legislation. Written comments on Bill No. 1523 will be accepted until close of business on Friday, September 23, 2022. Bill No. 1523 is eligible for vote on Tuesday, September 27, 2022.

Bill No. 1524, A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 190 OF THE TALBOT COUNTY CODE (ZONING, SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT) REGARDING SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS was read into the record by the Clerk. The legislation *and Amendment* were brought forward for public hearing. Prior to the public hearing, Brennan Tarleton, Acting Planning Officer, outlined the various components of the proposed legislation, and stated that Bill No. 1524 proposes to allow offset payments to be contributed to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF) program which allows the County to contribute a larger amount into the program, thereby offering the County an opportunity to preserve more farmland through the MALPF easement acquisition program; the ratio of contributions by the State is 60% to 40% by the counties. Mr. Tarleton also outlined the provisions of the amendment proposed by Mr. Leshner, and introduced by the Council on Tuesday, August 23, 2022, known as Amendment No. 1. Council discussion ensued with Mr. Tarleton. Members of the public were then afforded an opportunity to comment on the proposed legislation and the amendment. Council discussion again ensued. Bill No. 1524 and amendments are eligible for vote on Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

The Council meeting recessed at 8:38 p.m.

The Council meeting reconvened at 8:43 p.m.

Bill No. 1525, A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 190 OF THE TALBOT COUNTY CODE (ZONING, SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT) REGARDING THE EXPANSION OF STRUCTURES UTILIZED FOR NONCONFORMING USES, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS was read into the record by the Clerk and brought forward for public hearing. Prior to the public hearing, Bryce Yelton, Planner II, outlined current regulations in the County Code pertaining to nonconforming uses and outlined provisions of the proposed legislation. Brennan Tarleton, Acting Planning Officer, stated that the Planning Commission provided a favorable recommendation of the amended language before the Council and outlined the process by which the current language was derived and agreed upon. Members of the public were afforded an opportunity to comment on the proposed legislation. Written comments on Bill No. 1525 will be accepted until close of business on Friday, September 23, 2022. Bill No. 1525 is eligible for vote on Tuesday, September 27, 2022.

Bill No. 1524, A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 190 OF THE TALBOT COUNTY CODE (ZONING, SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT) REGARDING SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM was brought forward again for discussion. Ms. Price requested that County Attorney, Patrick Thomas draft an amendment which limited solar energy systems sited on parcels greater than 100 acres to occupy not more than ten percent (10%) of the acreage of the parcel. At Council’s request, Mr. Thomas left the room to draft the amendment; upon his return, the amendment was introduced by Mr. Callahan, Mr. Pack and Ms. Price as Amendment No. 2. Written comments on Bill No. 1524 and the amendments will be accepted until close of business on Friday, October 7, 2022. Bill No. 1524 and amendments are eligible for vote on Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

Upon motion by Mr. Pack, seconded by Ms. Price, the Council approved forwarding Resolution No. 334, Resolution No. 335, Resolution No. 336, Bill No. 1524 and Amendment No. 1 and Amendment No. 2 to the Public Works Advisory Board and the Talbot County Planning Commission for review at their meetings on Thursday, September 15, 2022 and Wednesday, October 5, 2022, respectively, by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan – Aye
Mr. Divilio – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Pack – Aye

- XI. Presentation of FY23 Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF) Easement Applications - Anne Roane, Planner III, Talbot County Department of Planning & Zoning – Ms. Roane presented on the FY23 Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF) easement applications and noted that there were 28 applications submitted with 14 applications being approved for easement purchase consideration to be submitted to the State for final approval. The proposed ranking list of applications has been reviewed and approved by both the Talbot County Agricultural Land Preservation Advisory Board and the Planning Commission. Upon motion by Mr. Divilio, seconded by Mr. Pack, the Council approved submitting the ranking list as presented to the State for final approval by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan – Aye
Mr. Divilio – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Pack – Aye

- XII. Presentation of Talbot County Hazard Mitigation and Community Resilience Plan – Geneva Schaffle, Emergency Management Coordinator; Brian LeCates, Director, Talbot County Department of Emergency Services - Ms. Schaffle presented an update on the County’s Hazard Mitigation and Community Resilience Plan which was last updated in 2017. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requires hazard mitigation plans to be updated every five years. Talbot County’s Plan has been developed over the past two years and includes the following components: Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment; profiles of county, towns, environment, and critical infrastructure; capabilities assessment; development of action items/projects; implementation and community pillars (health, safety, welfare; economic stability; education; infrastructure; environmental). The Plan incorporates all five municipalities (Easton, Oxford, Queen Anne, St. Michaels and Trappe) and has been approved by all five elected bodies. FEMA and the Maryland Department of Emergency Management also approved the Plan, pending its adoption by the Council. A copy of the Plan can be viewed at www.talbothazardplan.org.

- XIII. Introduction of Administrative Resolution:

AN ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE HAZARD MITIGATION AND COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLAN FOR TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND was read into the record by the Clerk and introduced by Mr. Callahan, Mr. Divilio, Mr. Pack, and Ms. Price. Upon motion by Mr. Pack, seconded by Mr. Divilio, the Council approved the administrative resolution by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan – Aye
Mr. Divilio – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Pack - Aye

The Administrative Resolution is effective immediately.

- XIV. Council Consideration of Public Works Agreement By and Between The Preserve at Wye Mills Property Owners Association, Inc., and Talbot County, Maryland - Patrick Thomas, County Attorney and Ray Clarke, County Engineer provided an update on the Public Works Agreement by and between the County and The Preserve at Wye Mills Property Owners Association, Inc. for the purpose of the having the County acquire the Preserve at Wye Mills' wastewater treatment plant and assume operations. This is consistent with the Council's action to adopt Resolution No. 326. Upon motion by Mr. Pack, seconded by Mr. Divilio, the Council approved the Public Works Agreement as presented by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan – Aye
Mr. Divilio – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Pack - Aye

XV. County Manager's Report:

- A. Request from Department of Emergency Services – Requested Council approval to have the Department of Emergency Services purchase a 2023 Horton ambulance with a Ford F-550 chassis from Fesco Emergency Sales in the sum of \$298,856 utilizing the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Cooperative Purchasing Agreement. There are sufficient funds in the FY23 budget for the purchase. Upon motion by Mr. Divilio, seconded by Mr. Pack, the Council approved the purchase by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan – Aye
Mr. Divilio – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Pack - Aye

- B. Request from Department of Emergency Services – Requested Council approval to utilize FY23 budgeted funds in the sum of \$137,430.00 to contract with Mission Critical Partners (MCP) for the purpose of developing a Request for Proposals to replace the existing Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system which does not meet all the Department's needs. Department of Emergency Services will be utilizing the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Cooperative Purchasing Agreement. Upon motion by Mr. Divilio, seconded by Ms. Price, the Council approved entering into the contract by voting 4– 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan – Aye
Mr. Divilio – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Pack – Aye

- C. Request from Department of Emergency Services - Requested Council approval to enter into a contract with Public Consulting Group (PCG) to assist with data collection on emergency transport of Medicaid patients for the purpose of submission to the State of Maryland Emergency Service Transporter Supplemental Payment Program for reimbursement beyond the \$100 fee for transport paid to the County by Medicaid. Mr. Stamp stated that, if approved, said contract will piggyback on an existing contract with Palm Beach County, Florida; PCG will retain 12% of reimbursements received. Upon motion by Mr. Divilio, seconded by Mr. Pack, the Council approved the request by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan – Aye
Mr. Divilio – Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Pack – Aye

XVI. Public Comments: Members of the public were afforded an opportunity to comment on matters of interest to them.

XVII. Council Comments:

Mr. Divilio – Mr. Divilio commented on two non-profit charity fundraisers he recently attended noting that both were very positive events where politics were not discussed. One was for animals and the other was for children. Mr. Divilio commented on how nice it is to be holding in-person events again and what a wonderful community we live in. He noted that he sees us as one community not as a divisive society.

Ms. Price – No comments.

Mr. Pack – Mr. Pack commented on upcoming events including Frederick Douglass Day hosted by the Frederick Douglass Honor Society on Saturday, September 24. He encouraged the public to attend. On Thursday, September 15, 2022 the County will be holding their annual cook-out for County employees and he thanked Karen Roberts and Susan Moran for coordinating the event. Mr. Pack commented on the September 11th anniversary. He stated that the Council did not forget and that none of us will ever forget the sacrifices that were made by first responders on that day and we continue to support them. He encouraged the next Council to continue the tradition of holding a ceremony to recognize the events of September 11th.

Mr. Callahan – Mr. Callahan commented on the golf tournament he recently attended at Hog Neck Golf Course hosted by the Easton Volunteer Fire Department. He stated the golf course looks spectacular and thanked Rich Setter, Golf Course Manager and his staff for their efforts. Mr. Callahan also commented on the community support he witnessed during the event and noted that he was proud to be part of it. He commented on tonight's meeting and stated the Council works hard on striking a balance and thanked those in attendance who participated during the public hearings.

XIII. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Divilio, the Council voted to adjourn and to reconvene on Tuesday, September 27, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. in Open Session and to immediately adjourn into Closed Session for discussion of legal, personnel and real estate matters as listed on the statement for closing the meeting, and at 6:00 p.m. for the regularly scheduled meeting by voting 4 - 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan - Aye
Mr. Divilio - Aye
Ms. Price – Aye
Mr. Pack - Aye

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

The transcript of the September 13, 2022 County Council meeting is available for review in the Office of the Talbot County Manager during regular office hours.

XIV. Summary of Closed Session Held on September 13, 2022:

1. Statement of the time, place, and purpose of the closed session:

Time of closed session: 4:30 p.m. to 5:55 p.m.
 Place of closed session: County Council Office
 Purpose of the closed session: To consider various matters as set forth in the statement for closing the meeting

2. Record of the vote of each member as to closing the session:

Names of members voting aye: Callahan, Divilio, Pack
 Members opposed: None
 Abstaining: None
 Absent: Leshner, Price (arrived at 4:33 p.m.)

3. Statutory authority to close session and listing of each topic actually discussed, persons present, and each action taken in the session:

Topic Description	Statutory Authority	Reason for Closed Session Discussion	Persons Present	Action Taken
To discuss appointment to various County boards and committees	GP § 3-305(b)(1)(i)	Public discussion would discourage individuals from volunteering to serve	Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Corey Pack, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Jessica Morris, Patrick Thomas	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Planning & Zoning	GP § 3-305(b)(1)(i)	Discussion involves specific individual	Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Corey Pack, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Jessica Morris, Patrick Thomas	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Administrative Services	GP § 3-305(b)(1)(i)	Discussion involves specific individual	Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Corey Pack, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Jessica Morris, Patrick Thomas	No action
To discuss personnel matter involving Election Board	GP § 3-305(b)(1)(i)	Discussion involves specific individuals	Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Corey Pack, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Jessica Morris, Patrick Thomas	No action

For legal update on opioid settlement	GP § 3-305(b)(7)(8)	Attorney-client privilege regarding litigation settlement	Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Corey Pack, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Jessica Morris, Patrick Thomas	No action
To discuss possible acquisition of property for a public purpose in Easton	GP § 3-305(b)(3)	To protect the County’s bargaining position regarding the potential acquisition of a specific parcel of real property for a public purpose	Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Corey Pack, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Jessica Morris, Patrick Thomas, Ray Clarke	Council directed staff to make offer
To discuss possible acquisition of property for a public purpose in Easton	GP § 3-305(b)(3)	To protect the County’s bargaining position regarding the potential acquisition of a specific parcel of real property for a public purpose	Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Corey Pack, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Jessica Morris, Patrick Thomas, Martha Sparks, Angela Lane	Council concurred with draft contract
To discuss possible acquisition of property for a public purpose in various parts of the County	GP § 3-305(b)(3)	To protect the County’s bargaining position regarding the potential acquisition of a specific parcel of real property for a public purpose	Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Corey Pack, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Jessica Morris, Patrick Thomas, Anne Roane	Council concurred with ranking list as proposed
For legal advice regarding possible acquisition of property in Wye Mills	GP § 3-305(b)(3)(7)(8)	To protect the County’s bargaining position regarding the potential acquisition of a specific parcel of real property for a public purpose	Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Corey Pack, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Jessica Morris, Patrick Thomas, Ray Clarke	Council concurred with agreement as drafted

CASH STATEMENT 8/30/2022

BALANCE 8/23/2022

79,702,061.34

CIGNA CLAIMS PAID THRU 8/22/2022	(88,954.46)
POSTING CORRECTION TO MOVE FUNDS TO TAX	(49,473.41)
POSTING CORRECTION TO MOVE FUNDS TO TAX	(588.02)
DEPOSITS	1,342,852.08
CHECKS	(1,272,457.66)
ACH DISBURSEMENT(S)	(1,553.00)
VOIDED CHECK(S) # 360729	775.00
BALANCE 8/30/2022	<u>79,632,661.87</u>

INVESTMENTS - CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

<u>Certificate Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Amount</u>
PNC-MLGIP INVESTMENTS TOTAL		2.16%	20,500,000.00
BAYVANGUARD BANK			10,242,480.53
TOTAL INVESTED			<u>30,742,480.53</u>
PETTY CASH BALANCE			<u>12,605.00</u>
<u>GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS</u>			<u>110,387,747.40</u>

CASH STATEMENT 9/06/2022

BALANCE 8/30/2022	79,632,661.87
TOTAL ADP PAYROLL PPE 8/19/2022	(755,364.65)
TOTAL ADP MONTHLY PAYROLL PPE 8/31/2022	(16,403.40)
PENSION DED PPE 8/19/2022 & 8/31/2022	(45,099.55)
DEFERRED COMP DED PPE 8/19/2022 & 8/31/2022	(21,938.01)
DEFERRED COMP PPE 8/19/2022 PLAN 401(A)	(8,217.80)
CIGNA CLAIMS PAID THRU 8/29/2022	(52,147.18)

POSTAGE WIRE	(3,000.00)
ENTERPRISE LEASE PAYMENT 8/2022	(15,396.88)
COMMUNITY CENTER SALES & USE TAX DUE 8/20/2022	(43.31)
GOLF COURSE SALES & USE TAX DUE 8/20/2022	(3,439.51)
ROADS SALES & USE TAX DUE 8/20/2022	(821.61)
PENSION DED PPE 8/5/2022	(44,128.29)
DEFERRED COMP PLAN 401(A)	(19,263.72)
DEFERRED COMP PLAN 401(A)	(796.42)
TALBOT COUNTY FREE LIBRARY 9/2022	(138,587.50)
TALBOT COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY 9/2022	(36,900.00)
BOARD OF EDUCATION 9/2022	(3,904,316.00)
SEPTEMBER 2022 RETIREE HEALTH PLAN #727	(35,965.10)
DEPOSIT CORRECTION BATCH #54001	(36.21)
WELLS FARGO LEASE PYMT DUE 8/2022	(128.00)

DEPOSITS	2,642,397.37
CHECKS	(1,285,842.03)
ACH DISBURSEMENT(S)	(62,678.14)
VOIDED CHECK(S) #	

BALANCE 9/01/2022 **75,824,545.93**

INVESTMENTS - CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

<u>Certificate Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Amount</u>
PNC-MLGIP INVESTMENTS TOTAL		2.27%	20,500,000.00
BAYVANGUARD BANK			10,242,480.53

TOTAL INVESTED **30,742,480.53**

PETTY CASH BALANCE **12,605.00**

GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS **106,579,631.46**

CASH STATEMENT 9/13/2022

BALANCE 9/6/2022	75,824,545.93
CIGNA CLAIMS PAID THRU 9/6/2022	(129,555.84)
ELECTION BOARD PPE 8/16 & 8/23/2022	(13,417.14)
REVERSED PAYMENTUS PAYMENT	(2,585.17)
DEPOSITS	1,047,541.63
CHECKS	(2,198,040.71)
ACH DISBURSEMENT(S)	(69,031.93)
VOIDED CHECK(S) #360143, #361174	691.97
BALANCE 9/01/2022	<u>74,460,148.74</u>

INVESTMENTS - CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

<u>Certificate Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Amount</u>
PNC-MLGIP INVESTMENTS TOTAL		2.35%	20,500,000.00
BAYVANGUARD BANK			10,242,480.53
TOTAL INVESTED			<u>30,742,480.53</u>
PETTY CASH BALANCE			<u>12,605.00</u>
<u>GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS</u>			<u>105,215,234.27</u>