

**TALBOT COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES  
FOR  
February 5, 2020**

**February 24, 2020**

**ATTENDEES:**

Bill Anderson, Public Works Advisory Board, Chairman  
Roger Bollman, Public Works Advisory Board, Vice Chairman  
Ed Schlichter, Public Works Advisory Board member  
Cory Buxton, Public Works Advisory Board member  
Tina Jones, Public Works Advisory Board member  
Corey Pack – County Council Liaison  
Ray Clarke, County Engineer - Absent  
Terry Martin, DPW Sanitary Engineer  
Mike Mertaugh – Assistant County Engineer  
Anthony Kupersmith, Talbot County Engineer  
Mary O'Donnell, Assistant Talbot County Attorney  
Lindsay Ryan, Attorney - Town of Trappe  
Alan Girrard – Chesapeake Bay Foundation  
Ryan Showalter – Developer Representative for Trappe East  
Steve Harris - Resident  
Faye Nave - Resident  
Julie Nave - Resident  
Patty Dewitt - Resident  
Paul Spitzen - Resident

The meeting was called to order by Bill Anderson at 12:05 PM.

**1. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**2. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from their January 5, 2020 meeting. After making a text revision, R. Bollman made a motion to adopt the meeting minutes as noted, the motion was seconded by Cory Buxton, and the PWAB voted 4-0 in favor of the motion.
- b. Terry Martin and Mike Mertaugh reviewed the status of various projects as outlined on the Department of Public Works Project Schedule dated February 5, 2020. Terry provided an update on the ongoing discussion with the County and MDE on the design requirement of 250

gallons per day/EDU for our Resolution 235 and Resolution 250 sewer extension designs and Preliminary Engineering Reports that have pending approvals by MDE. Mike provided an update on the Leeds Creek Bridge Project, the County is working to develop an amicable agreement on the right-of-way and utility easements with the property owners adjoining the proposed project. Mike discussed the meeting scheduled for February 14, 2020, to discuss relocating the electric power utilities. Mike also discussed the property impacts associated with the ongoing issues with weight limits and safety on Black Dog Alley Road, and the status of the recent bridge inspection and maintenance requirements. Mike discussed the need to develop a capital request for Bridges maintenance. Mr. Corey Pack asked for an update on the Talbot County Community Center sewer connection project, the current project status was not available and would be provided following a discussion with Ray Clarke, County Engineer, who was attending the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

- c. Terry Martin reviewed the flow summary sheets provided for the Region II and Region V waste water treatment facilities.
- d. **Review of and Recommendation to the County Council for Resolution 282 - A Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan Amendment for the Tax Map 23, Parcel 41 (Brooks House B&B at 24500 Rolles Range Road)**

Following a general discussion of the proposed resolution, a motion was made by Roger Bollman, seconded by Cory Buxton to table any further discussion on a recommendation to Council until the equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) connection values and the other planning and zoning items related to the amendment to the Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan amendment or consistency with the Talbot County Comprehensive Plan can be explained/verified.

- e. **Review of and Recommendation to the County Council for Resolution 281 – A Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan Amendment for the Town of Trappe**

The PWAB provided an opportunity for public comment on this resolution. Public comment periods were limited to 3 minutes for residents and 5 minutes for organizations. Comments were made by Alan Girard – Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Paul Spitzer - Resident, Steve Harris – Resident, Faye Nave – Resident, Julie Nave – Resident, Patty Dewitt – Resident, Ryan Showalter – Developer Representative for Trappe East, Lindsay Ryan, Attorney - Town of Trappe.

Following this discussion, a motion was made by Ed Schlichter, seconded by Cory Buxton, to “Propose that the PWAB communicate to the County Council that the PWAB is in accord with the phased approach developed by the County Planning and Zoning Commission for Resolution 281.” The PWAB voted on the motion, it passed 3-1.

- f. There were no official reports from the subcommittees.

## OPEN DISCUSSION

William Anderson adjourned the PWAB at approximately 3:15 p.m.

Author: Respectfully Submitted, Terry Martin

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These minutes are the official record of the meeting and represent the understanding of the writer of items discussed and decisions made during the meeting, and shall become a part of the Public Works Advisory Information Document. We shall assume our understanding to be correct unless written notice to the contrary is brought to our attention within fourteen (14) days of receipt of these minutes.