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COUNTY COUNCIL OF TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND

Council Meeting

July 23, 2019; 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, Easton, Maryland

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Corey W. Pack

Chuck F. Callahan

Pete Leshner

Laura E. Price

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<p>1 TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS</p> <p>2</p> <p>3 MR. PACK: Good afternoon, everyone. If</p> <p>4 you wouldn't mind standing with us for an</p> <p>5 opening prayer followed by our Pledge of</p> <p>6 Allegiance.</p> <p>7 (Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.)</p> <p>8 MR. PACK: Thank you. Okay. Council has</p> <p>9 before it an agenda. We all had a chance to go</p> <p>10 through it. The chair would ask are there any</p> <p>11 additions, deletions, or corrections to the</p> <p>12 agenda? Hearing none, the chair moves that the</p> <p>13 agenda be accepted with unanimous consent.</p> <p>14 We also have minutes from our May the 28th</p> <p>15 and June the 11th meeting. We had a chance to</p> <p>16 go through those minutes. Are there any</p> <p>17 additions, deletions, or corrections to those</p> <p>18 minutes? Hearing none, the chair moves that</p> <p>19 they also be accepted with unanimous consent.</p> <p>20 Moving on, we have disbursements from our</p> <p>21 July the 16th and July 23rd meeting. We had a</p>	<p>1 And the floor is yours, Clay.</p> <p>2 MR. STAMP: Thank you, Mr. Council</p> <p>3 President. Good evening, members of Council.</p> <p>4 This is a pleasure to be here this evening</p> <p>5 in front of you. It's not often that we get to</p> <p>6 come before you and recognize people for doing</p> <p>7 a job that saves people's lives and give</p> <p>8 recognition where recognition is due.</p> <p>9 First thing I want to do is mention to you</p> <p>10 that Richard Smith could not be here tonight.</p> <p>11 You all know Richard. If it weren't for</p> <p>12 Richard recognizing the uniqueness of this call</p> <p>13 and writing it up, we probably wouldn't be here</p> <p>14 tonight. I just want to recognize him. He's</p> <p>15 presently recovering from knee surgery, and we</p> <p>16 hope that he's out and about soon.</p> <p>17 Also, I want to recognize a number of</p> <p>18 people that are in the room. We have the</p> <p>19 president of the Oxford Fire Company, Mr. Tim</p> <p>20 Kearns is here. Assistant Chief Paul Callahan</p> <p>21 is here with me. The fire chief of Tilghman</p>
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<p>1 chance to meet with our fiscal officer,</p> <p>2 Ms. Lane, and review those. Are there any</p> <p>3 additions, deletions, or corrections to those</p> <p>4 disbursements? Hearing none, the chair moves</p> <p>5 that they also be accepted with unanimous</p> <p>6 consent.</p> <p>7 Council, next on your agenda, you have a</p> <p>8 presentation of certificates or commendation</p> <p>9 for lifesaving efforts in the Choptank River</p> <p>10 near Oxford, Maryland. This took place in</p> <p>11 November 2018.</p> <p>12 Mr. Stamp, our emergency services</p> <p>13 director/assistant county manager is here with</p> <p>14 us as well. Mr. Stamp, I invite you to the</p> <p>15 table and whomever else you want to bring with</p> <p>16 you or how do you want to proceed?</p> <p>17 MR. STAMP: Mr. Council President, may I</p> <p>18 ask assistant chief of Oxford Fire Company,</p> <p>19 Paul Callahan, to join me?</p> <p>20 MR. PACK: Absolutely. Mr. Callahan, come</p> <p>21 forward please.</p>	<p>1 Fire Company Chris Hood is here. From our</p> <p>2 organization, DES, Brian LeCates, who is the</p> <p>3 deputy director and EMS division chief.</p> <p>4 Captain Judy Micheliche is with our EMS</p> <p>5 division. And then we have a number of</p> <p>6 representatives from the fire companies and</p> <p>7 their families here this evening. So it's a</p> <p>8 real nice opportunity.</p> <p>9 I asked Paul to be up here with me. I'm</p> <p>10 going to read through this explanation of what</p> <p>11 happened. And of course, he's very central to</p> <p>12 what occurred. And then I'm going to turn it</p> <p>13 over to him for a couple of words before we</p> <p>14 call forth and welcome people to be recognized</p> <p>15 by yourselves.</p> <p>16 So first, on Saturday, November 17, 2018,</p> <p>17 in 9:18 a.m., the Talbot Emergency</p> <p>18 Communication Center received a 911 call for a</p> <p>19 boat that had overturned south of Tilghman</p> <p>20 Island with people in the water.</p> <p>21 Fire boats from Tilghman Volunteer Fire</p>

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<p>1 Department, along with DES medics and                  2 Dorchester County were alerted to respond. At                  3 the same time, the Devon Marie Two, a fishing                  4 boat, captained by Paul Callahan, the assistant                  5 chief of the Oxford Fire Company, Incorporated,                  6 was fishing in the Choptank River.</p> <p>7 At about 9:25 in the morning, Captain                  8 Callahan received a cell phone call from the                  9 Oxford Fire Company's Captain Matthew Hall.                  10 Mr. Hall had heard a call on the emergency                  11 radio about a capsized boat in Broad Creek.                  12 Captain Hall, knowing where Captain Callahan                  13 fished a lot of the time, called Captain                  14 Callahan on his cell phone, advising him of the                  15 emergency.</p> <p>16 Captain Callahan advised his party to pull                  17 in the lines at once. The party reeled in                  18 their lines as quickly as possible, and Captain                  19 Callahan started heading to the area under full                  20 throttle with radar scanning for something on                  21 the water. It was a rough sea that day, and</p>	<p>1 rescuers his vision was failing him and his                  2 arms were stiff and he could not help lift                  3 himself. The crew of the Devon Marie Two held                  4 Dave to the side of the boat until boat 70 with                  5 lower sides and a lift arrived to get Dave out                  6 of the water, into the boat, and to shore for                  7 transport to the hospital.</p> <p>8 The Devon Marie Two transported John and                  9 Daryl to Bozman to meet the ambulance where                  10 they were transported to the hospital for                  11 observation.</p> <p>12 All three sustained no injuries and made a                  13 complete recovery.</p> <p>14 There is no question that without the                  15 quick response from the Oxford Fire Captain                  16 Hall, who heard the call on the emergency                  17 radio, his prompt notification to Assistant                  18 Chief Paul Callahan, who was fishing at the                  19 time, that Dave would not have survived the                  20 hunting trip. Two firefighters working                  21 together for a water rescue that obviously</p>
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<p>1 the radar picked up two objects on the water.                  2 Upon further investigation, Captain                  3 Callahan determined that one of the objects was                  4 a fishing boat not involved. So he headed                  5 toward the second object.</p> <p>6 It was very hard to see the capsized boat.                  7 However, he managed to get to it at Nelson's                  8 Point. Boat 70 from Tilghman Fire Company was                  9 also dispatched for the rescue, along with the                  10 Coast Guard.</p> <p>11 Captain Callahan's boat, the Devon Marie                  12 Two, got to the overturned boat to find three                  13 hunters, all brothers. One, Dave, with chest                  14 weighters that were filled with water and a                  15 shotgun strapped to his shoulder, were in the                  16 water. Two brothers, John and Daryl, were                  17 lifted to the Devon Marie Two by the fishing                  18 party.</p> <p>19 The job lifting the brother Dave into the                  20 boat became impossible since he was wearing                  21 heavy water-filled weighters. He told the</p>	<p>1 saved one life and maybe three.</p> <p>2 Thanks go also to Mark Ledford, Mike                  3 Callahan, Susan Aistrup, who were the fishing                  4 party on the boat; the crew of the Tilghman                  5 fire boat 70, the DES paramedics, 911                  6 dispatchers, and St. Michael's Volunteer Fire                  7 Department for their help in this lifesaving                  8 rescue.</p> <p>9 This tragedy averted is just one more                  10 example of Talbot County's firm commitment to                  11 saving lives. Not only through the response                  12 system, but by engaging the whole community.</p> <p>13 I'm going to at this point turn it over to                  14 Paul Callahan for a couple of remarks before                  15 announcing the individuals to come forward.                  16 Paul.</p> <p>17 MR. PAUL CALLAHAN: Thank you, gentlemen.                  18 I'd like my comments to be not only to the                  19 Council but also to all the members in the back                  20 who also were part of this rescue that day.                  21 I think ever since I was a young child,</p>

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1 every other year you hear about duck hunters on  
 2 the Choptank River drowning from hypothermia.  
 3 We know we have people who lost sons and that  
 4 sort of stuff. And also the memory of  
 5 (inaudible) comes to mind, who lost five family  
 6 members.  
 7 I think that day we were lucky that we  
 8 were able to divert a tragedy. I asked one of  
 9 the brothers, who was able to go and talk to  
 10 the overturned haul about his brother who was  
 11 in the water. If he was unable to do what he  
 12 had done, if he couldn't hang on anymore. And  
 13 he goes we would have gone in and held him up.  
 14 And I think it was a situation that we really  
 15 averted tragedy.  
 16 I'm a firm believer that today is not won  
 17 by the actions of an individual but by the  
 18 combined efforts of a team. November 17th of  
 19 last year was that day. It was a day that we  
 20 made a difference.  
 21 Everyone aboard the Devon Marie Two played

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1 a vital role, either getting equipment ready to  
 2 go, emergency equipment prepared, working the  
 3 radar, binoculars for a visual search.  
 4 As we said, Matthew Hall, it wouldn't have  
 5 happened without him by thinking outside the  
 6 box. Our boat was broken that day. Our boat  
 7 had a blown engine for Oxford, but he thought  
 8 one step ahead.  
 9 By God's grace, we found the boat and we  
 10 got a hold of the individuals, as I said. And  
 11 the next thing that came to my mind, we  
 12 realized that we couldn't lift him out of the  
 13 water. And I saw my gauge was right there,  
 14 48 degrees Fahrenheit. And we knew that we  
 15 didn't have much time.  
 16 It was like an angel from heaven when I  
 17 looked over my shoulder and saw boat 70 coming  
 18 right there. I mean how much better could that  
 19 be. It had the manpower and they also had the  
 20 thought to design a boat that can get a  
 21 300-pound person out of the water.

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1 With the boat there, the EMS crew,  
 2 everything, I kind of think it was kind of  
 3 meant to be. Everything came together. And I  
 4 think it is a day to be proud of.  
 5 And I'm thankful to you all for  
 6 recognizing everyone else. I've received my  
 7 own recognition from the Maryland State  
 8 Fireman's Association. But I really wanted  
 9 other people like Mark Ledford and everyone  
 10 else, my son, and the Tilghman crew also for  
 11 what they did because, again, it was not the  
 12 efforts of an individual. It was a team  
 13 effort.  
 14 MR. PACK: Absolutely.  
 15 MR. PAUL CALLAHAN: Thank you.  
 16 MR. STAMP: So Mr. Council President, I  
 17 have a list of names.  
 18 MR. PACK: Sure. I'm with you.  
 19 MR. STAMP: Please join me in welcoming  
 20 the following individuals to be recognized by  
 21 the Talbot County Council for their actions on

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1 the morning of November 17, 2018.  
 2 When I call your name, if you can go to  
 3 the front of the room and face the crowd here.  
 4 The Council president will give further  
 5 instruction.  
 6 The first individual is assistant chief of  
 7 the Oxford Fire Company, the captain of the  
 8 Devon Marie Two, Paul Callahan. Next, Matthew  
 9 Hall, Captain, Oxford Fire Company. Mark  
 10 Ledford, Michael Callahan, Susan Aistrup. From  
 11 boat seven, the Tilghman Volunteer Fire  
 12 Company, John Murphy, Nick Craig, Brandon  
 13 Haddaway, Bobby Howe, Dylan Lomax. I believe  
 14 Dylan may not be here, right?  
 15 SPEAKER: That's correct, he's not here.  
 16 MR. STAMP: He's in the United States Navy  
 17 right now.  
 18 And then we have Jackie Reiss, a paramedic  
 19 with Talbot County DES. Rachael Carrier,  
 20 paramedic, Talbot County DES. Eddie Roberts,  
 21 EMT, Talbot County DES. Catherine Stitchberry,

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1 paramedic, Talbot County DES.  
 2 Mr. Council President, I'll turn it back  
 3 over to you for any further comment or remarks  
 4 on this.  
 5 MR. PACK: Does everyone have one here?  
 6 SPEAKER: We have two who aren't here.  
 7 Michael Callahan and Susan Aistrup.  
 8 MR. PACK: Got you. Well, I think as  
 9 chief pointed out and also as Director Stamp  
 10 pointed out, it is a team effort and it's just  
 11 not one individual.  
 12 The quick thinking of your dispatcher to  
 13 realize where you were on that particular  
 14 morning and get the call out to you, and then  
 15 to assemble the rest of the staff.  
 16 I know I'm standing in front of some  
 17 people. I apologize for that.  
 18 We can't say enough to you all for just  
 19 working together to save these lives. And this  
 20 is what all your training is for and your  
 21 preparation is for.

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1 So again, our hats go off to you. Our  
 2 salute goes over to you for just a marvelous  
 3 effort of saving these three men on the river  
 4 that morning. So congratulations to you, keep  
 5 up the good work, and thanks for being there  
 6 when most needed. We certainly appreciate it.  
 7 Thank you.  
 8 MR. STAMP: Can I get the tall people in  
 9 the back and short people in the front. Open  
 10 up your certificates please, have them face  
 11 forward. Corey, could you stand on that side  
 12 there? Okay. Now I want to get close, tighten  
 13 up, tighten up. Very good, very good. I'll  
 14 jump over here with you.  
 15 MR. PACK: You good?  
 16 MR. STAMP: Thank you, Mr. Council  
 17 President.  
 18 MR. PACK: Well, believe it or not, we do  
 19 have more agenda items to cover. But certainly  
 20 we do understand why so many people came out.  
 21 That was certainly worth the audience, and they

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1 are well deserving of their peers and their  
 2 family members coming out to see them being  
 3 recognized before Council.  
 4 Again, those are the type of certificates  
 5 and proclamations we like to give out when the  
 6 team comes together to save lives here in the  
 7 county.  
 8 But we do have some more items to cover.  
 9 Next item up, we're going to have an update  
 10 from the Maryland Environmental Services. We  
 11 have Steve Tomczewski here with us. He is the  
 12 program director of the environmental  
 13 operations here in the county and across the  
 14 area.  
 15 So Steve, good to see you again.  
 16 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: Same here.  
 17 MR. PACK: Last time we saw you, you had a  
 18 boot on. I see the boot is gone.  
 19 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: The boot is gone. I'm  
 20 definitely still here, but I'm glad I'm done  
 21 with the boot. And so are you I noticed.

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1 MR. PACK: Well, that was some time back.  
 2 Thanks for bringing that to my remembrance.  
 3 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: I try to do the best I  
 4 can.  
 5 Anyway, it's a pleasure to be here again.  
 6 That's a tough act to follow. I'll say that.  
 7 The toughest I had to follow. So that was a  
 8 great story.  
 9 So just click on this.  
 10 SECRETARY: Left click I think.  
 11 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: Left click. Must be  
 12 missing something. Sorry about that. Here we  
 13 go. Thank you.  
 14 Just real briefly, as you all know, we've  
 15 been around since 1991. We opened up the  
 16 Midshore One here in '91 in Easton, and we  
 17 operated that until 2010. Then we moved onto  
 18 Midshore Two. So we're closing on 30 years of  
 19 landfill operation in the midshore area. It's  
 20 a very unique partnership.  
 21 This is Easton. And the top photograph

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1 shows our transfer station building and our  
 2 scale house. And we stopped disposing of MSW  
 3 trash here in 2010. We have seven employees  
 4 here, and this is funded by Talbot County.  
 5 Total tons going through the Talbot County  
 6 transfer station for that nine-month period,  
 7 about 30,000 tons, which is about what it's  
 8 been running. Our homeowner dropoff, 19,000  
 9 customers. 842 tons coming from those  
 10 customers and about 2,700 tons of yard waste.  
 11 We saw the homeowner dropoff punch cards.  
 12 The big seller is the \$20 version, 1,481.  
 13 A big operation we had here in Easton was  
 14 repair of our tipping floor. That transfer  
 15 station is about 30 years old. And the one  
 16 area that we use most was worn out. So we had  
 17 to replace a fairly large section. The  
 18 challenge was how to do that without  
 19 interrupting the trash flow coming in. Because  
 20 obviously if the floor is tied up, you can't  
 21 bring in trash.

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1 So what we did was we set up a kind of  
 2 unique operation on the outside of the transfer  
 3 station, an area that we consolidate our  
 4 recyclables. So we were able to set up a  
 5 screening to catch any litter. Did a bunch of  
 6 things for storm water. And we were successful  
 7 in not interrupting any service to Talbot  
 8 County. So that was important.  
 9 Hard to see that, but that's the section.  
 10 That's showing our excavator in the background  
 11 there, and that's the new floor, which I'm told  
 12 is guaranteed to last 35 years, when I can  
 13 retire. So anyway, that was a great project  
 14 for us.  
 15 And this shows the outside transfer. I  
 16 don't have a pointer, but essentially in the  
 17 center of that, you can see the trash going  
 18 through that trailer on the right side. And we  
 19 were able to maintain that operation. So that  
 20 was a big deal for us. So we were happy to  
 21 pull that off.

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1 We're not bringing any waste here. We  
 2 have an exposed geo-membrane cap, which is  
 3 running in good condition.  
 4 We're still taking landfill gas from the  
 5 landfill, and that's going to Easton Utilities.  
 6 We sold them an incredible amount of gas,  
 7 80 million standard cubic feet of landfill gas.  
 8 We generated about \$40,000 in revenue, which  
 9 goes into our post-closure fund. We also get  
 10 carbon credits for that. Easton Utilities  
 11 shares in that. So we have a very unique  
 12 partnership in Easton Utilities. So it's a  
 13 pretty good deal.  
 14 At the main landfill over in Ridgely, we  
 15 got during that period 105,000 tons. For the  
 16 calendar year, for the fiscal year for FY19, we  
 17 took in over about 140,000 tons of waste, which  
 18 is a new record for us. And that's a good  
 19 indicator of economic activity. So things are  
 20 going well in the midshore area for sure.  
 21 We recycled 46 tons of mattresses, which

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1 is important. Our roadkill has been holding  
 2 steady at 30 tons. And the homeowner dropoff  
 3 took in 1,612 tons.  
 4 We're continuing with our cell two.  
 5 There's five cells at the midshore two, five  
 6 individual call them phases of development. We  
 7 are on our second phase now.  
 8 We're completing the cell three, which is  
 9 our third cell. And that should last for about  
 10 seven years at least, maybe eight. So that's a  
 11 big one.  
 12 We're also working on the farm that we  
 13 purchased next to the landfill, Ackerman Farm.  
 14 We're working on our surface mining permit to  
 15 get (inaudible) for the landfill, which we  
 16 think should keep us for the rest of the time  
 17 at that landfill.  
 18 MS. PRICE: Is it ten or 20 years at each  
 19 site?  
 20 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: Twenty years.  
 21 MS. PRICE: Twenty. So about half --

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1 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: Twenty-year minimum.

2 MS. PRICE: Minimum.

3 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: I just thought I'd add

4 that to the confusion.

5 It's 20 years. It's an 80-year

6 arrangement, which is very unique in the

7 country. It's the only such arrangement that

8 we know of.

9 So the next county in line is Queen Anne

10 County.

11 MS. PRICE: So about halfway through

12 Caroline's and what percentage usage are we at?

13 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: We probably have

14 enough -- we could run another 30 years there

15 if we chose to.

16 MS. PRICE: So it's only about 25 percent

17 then filled?

18 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: I'd have to figure that

19 out. But there's plenty of capacity, put it

20 that way, that could be developed and such. So

21 there's a lot of options that are around and

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1 being discussed. So we'll see where it goes.

2 MR. HOLLIS: Why don't you just also

3 mention to Council the lead time if you're

4 going to Queen Anne next?

5 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: That's a very good point.

6 For a new landfill to be sited, you need

7 ten years to get started. So if we're going to

8 do that, and our arrangement doesn't require it

9 to be a landfill. It can be any kind of solid

10 waste disposal operation. Could be a waste

11 energy plant, could be a gasification plant.

12 But it takes ten years. There's ten years

13 of background information that has to be -- you

14 have to be ground water monitoring, you have to

15 make sure the site is capable of having a

16 landfill placed on it.

17 So a lot of things and action that have to

18 occur.

19 MS. PRICE: The agreement was each of the

20 four counties would take it for 20 years.

21 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: Correct.

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1 MS. PRICE: What if a county only wants to

2 do 20 years and yet they're -- I know I've

3 asked you sort of this question before. That

4 if a county says I'm done with my 20 years and

5 yet you've only filled up half the landfill and

6 the State doesn't want you to create new

7 landfills?

8 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: Well, there's no State

9 law right now that would require us to stay at

10 midshore two in Ridgely. So there's no law

11 requiring us.

12 MS. PRICE: Yet.

13 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: Well. Who knows, right.

14 The service agreement that we have in

15 place requires every 20 years go to the next

16 county.

17 If Caroline decides they wanted us to stay

18 there longer, that's something that has to be

19 worked out.

20 MS. PRICE: So pretty much they have,

21 whatever county it is, if you're saying it's a

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1 ten-year lead time, that county needs to decide

2 like in the next year?

3 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: Right. Something has to

4 happen soon, yes.

5 MS. PRICE: And it is only that one

6 county's decision?

7 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: They're next in line,

8 unless Andy wants to reopen midshore one. We

9 could do that, too. Right? I don't think

10 that's in the cards.

11 But anyway, the service agreement that we

12 have requires each county to do 20 years.

13 Talbot County has done theirs. Caroline is

14 almost halfway through. You're right.

15 MS. PRICE: So is this something, though,

16 that we should get the four counties together

17 to discuss realistically what is the best

18 scenario?

19 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: Well, I think some of

20 those discussions are already occurring. So

21 we'll see where they go.



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1 We're a facilitator. And our service  
 2 agreement, our legal agreement is what I'm  
 3 going by. So that's what we have. Options are  
 4 available.  
 5 MS. PRICE: Thank you. Sorry. Keep  
 6 going.  
 7 MR. TOMCZEWSKI: I'll wait for the next  
 8 time and have more questions. I'm sure they'll  
 9 be there.  
 10 Getting back to this. Basically cell  
 11 three is our biggest cell. It has enough  
 12 capacity for a lot of waste, 1.5 million tons.  
 13 And we expect that to be completed by  
 14 September. So it's getting close.  
 15 It's kind of hard to see that, but  
 16 basically the left side of that picture is the  
 17 cell that's under construction.  
 18 We're also doing wetland mitigation over  
 19 at the Ackerman Farm on the Chicken Bridge  
 20 Branch Run. There's 16 acres of wetlands.  
 21 We're going to be completing that by October of

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1 next year. And that's to mitigate the midshore  
 2 two site across the street.  
 3 Recycling is pretty consistent. For that  
 4 nine-month period, we did 265 tons of plastic,  
 5 98 tons of metal. Mixed paper, which is still  
 6 going to CreaFill in the Chestertown area,  
 7 713 tons. Cardboard 45, grammer glass 292, and  
 8 clear 251. So that's going fairly well.  
 9 And that's it. Any questions? Thank you  
 10 very much. My pleasure to be here.  
 11 MR. PACK: Thanks, Steve. Good seeing you  
 12 again.  
 13 Council, next item on your agenda, you're  
 14 going to have a Council discussion with the  
 15 Talbot County Board of Elections in response to  
 16 the Easton Volunteer Fire Department's use of  
 17 their space.  
 18 Mr. Jeri Cook, elections director, and  
 19 members. Mr. Black is also here. I don't see  
 20 Mr. Secrist here with us from the Election  
 21 Board.

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1 I know there has been some new  
 2 developments since last night, Ms. Cook. I see  
 3 the smiles on both of your faces. So why don't  
 4 you give Council and the public a little  
 5 background and what brought you here today and  
 6 then what transpired yesterday.  
 7 MS. COOK: Thank you for letting me have  
 8 this time.  
 9 On June 26th, I met with Easton Fire  
 10 Department at their -- they wanted me to come  
 11 and talk to them about their concerns about  
 12 early voting site, where it is in the bay area.  
 13 So we met on June 26th.  
 14 And some of the concerns that they have  
 15 are the safety of the voters, because in the  
 16 bay area, they sometimes go across that apron  
 17 where the firetrucks are. The critical --  
 18 they're impeding, the people coming across  
 19 there are impeding them from being able to get  
 20 out of there in a quick time because they've  
 21 got to worry about those voters.

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1 Also, the security issues that we raised  
 2 were for making sure what nobody is coming  
 3 through the polling place. And members of the  
 4 fire department were coming through. So that  
 5 was -- they were coming right behind voters as  
 6 they were trying to vote. So it was a concern  
 7 that we all shared on each side. Security from  
 8 their end, security from our end, and the fact  
 9 of just the safety for the voters.  
 10 So when we met, we had a lengthy  
 11 discussion about these issues.  
 12 And last week I received a letter from  
 13 them denying the use of the early voting site  
 14 for the 2020 election. Well, needless to say,  
 15 I kind of got a little ut-oh because it is the  
 16 largest place in Easton.  
 17 Fifty-one percent or about 51 percent of  
 18 our voters in Talbot County live within the  
 19 Easton area. So it's an ideal place for them  
 20 to go. It's an area that everybody knows that  
 21 building. They know exactly where they need to

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1 go to vote. And not to mention the fact that  
 2 more than likely if we had to move it, because  
 3 of the size of the amount of voters that we  
 4 have, because we do have the largest early  
 5 voting turnout in the state per capita, we  
 6 would probably have to look at a second early  
 7 voting site, which is extremely costly to do  
 8 that.

9 So that being said, all of that happening,  
 10 I reached out to Council President Corey Pack  
 11 and asked him if there was some way that we  
 12 could find out if there was a way that we could  
 13 work this together.

14 So he took swift action. I was so  
 15 thankful for how quickly he came -- I contacted  
 16 him Friday morning. And by Friday afternoon,  
 17 early evening, he had already set up an  
 18 appointment, basically a meeting, with the fire  
 19 department so that we could discuss these  
 20 issues last night.

21 So last night we met, and it was about six

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1 or seven of the trustees that were there. And  
 2 they voiced their concerns again. And we were  
 3 right there. We understand their concerns.

4 They have asked -- so the conclusion was  
 5 is that we were going to use the bingo hall  
 6 instead of that bay area. But with them doing  
 7 that, then they lose two days of bingo, which  
 8 understandably that's a lot of money for them.

9 So what the resolution was is that they  
 10 would ask for additional payment for that use.  
 11 And we are going to be using the bingo hall,  
 12 which is ideal for me. I am extremely excited  
 13 about it because it does allow for the security  
 14 that we need for those machines, and it also  
 15 keeps the voters away from that area where the  
 16 firetrucks are. So we've got that division,  
 17 but yet it's still in that building where  
 18 everybody knows where they're so used to going  
 19 to.

20 So first off, on behalf of the Election  
 21 Board, we just want to thank the Easton Fire

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1 Department for coming to that decision with  
 2 some help. And secondly, having Council  
 3 President Corey Pack just come through so  
 4 quickly so that we could resolve this and move  
 5 forward.

6 So of all that, we are working together  
 7 once again for the betterment of the voters of  
 8 Talbot County. And for that, I'm very  
 9 grateful. So thank you.

10 And on a side note, I just wanted to --  
 11 I've sent you a letter today. The Board of  
 12 Education is also closing the schools to the  
 13 students so that we can have a better place,  
 14 especially for Easton High School, so that they  
 15 can have a better voting experience there on  
 16 Election Day. So yay.

17 MR. PACK: Thumbs up.

18 Mr. Black, anything from you from the  
 19 board?

20 MR. BLACK: A big thank you to the Easton  
 21 Fire Department and a big thank to you,

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1 Mr. President, and to all of the Council  
 2 members and staff for making this be a  
 3 wonderful outcome, which will continue to help  
 4 assure that we have nothing less than the best  
 5 of election experiences in Talbot County.

6 Thank you all once again.

7 MR. PACK: Thank you, Mr. Black.

8 And Ms. Cook, got your phone call. And I  
 9 can tell by the sound in your voice that you  
 10 were very upset over the decision that was made  
 11 previously.

12 And as you said, the trustees brought up  
 13 some very good points. The safety of our  
 14 citizens in light of the unfortunate occurrence  
 15 that happened in Oxford with Ms. Beglin. No  
 16 one wanted to see a reoccurrence of that, no  
 17 one.

18 So yes, persons crossing that apron in  
 19 front of the engine bay was not safe. The fact  
 20 that those engines would start up and create  
 21 noise for your judges and impede their work.

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1 The noxious fumes that would come from the  
 2 exhaust and coming through the room was also a  
 3 concern to you.  
 4 I can also understand that the firemen  
 5 want to go into the exercise room, which sat  
 6 adjacent to your room and they had to either  
 7 come through your room or go around the  
 8 building to get to their exercise room.  
 9 So it just wasn't a good fit I think to  
 10 hold the early voting on that end of the  
 11 building.  
 12 And I was very pleased the way that the  
 13 Board of Trustees and Chief Jones got together  
 14 and was able to sit down with you and your  
 15 board members and come to what I find to be a  
 16 fair and amicable compromise for the citizens  
 17 of Talbot County.  
 18 We are the number one early voting  
 19 district in the state. This election in 2020  
 20 will be historic. Maybe not on the same level  
 21 as the '09 election of President Obama. But

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1 nonetheless, it will bring out a number of  
 2 people to the polls. So we got to be ready and  
 3 we got to have an area that the people know and  
 4 that is conducive to security. As you know,  
 5 security of voting nowadays, I don't have to go  
 6 into that, is of paramount to make sure those  
 7 machines are protected and that those votes are  
 8 protected.  
 9 And then secondly, the parking area,  
 10 persons going in front of the apron to park was  
 11 a concern to them. I believe what they're  
 12 going to do is cone off half that parking area  
 13 so that persons can't park in front of the bay  
 14 doors.  
 15 And I think it was just all reasonable  
 16 compromise. And us coming together and sitting  
 17 down last night was able to reach that decision  
 18 very quickly. I think we were in and out of  
 19 there in less than 40 minutes. So it just goes  
 20 to prove when we want to sit down and find yes,  
 21 we can find yes. So it worked well.

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1 MS. COOK: Yes.  
 2 MR. PACK: Probably would ask you all to  
 3 come back maybe a little bit before early  
 4 voting to go over the parking again and just  
 5 make sure that we make persons aware that it  
 6 will be still at the Easton site and just make  
 7 them understand. I know you want to do some  
 8 additional signage. So I'd like to get you all  
 9 to come back before Council before early voting  
 10 primary to kind of go around that again so that  
 11 the paper can have it and that the people can  
 12 understand what they need to do and where and  
 13 where they cannot park on that day, on those  
 14 days, since it runs eight consecutive days.  
 15 So happy to be a part of it.  
 16 MS. PRICE: A couple of things real quick.  
 17 MR. PACK: Sure.  
 18 MS. PRICE: I'm really excited about this.  
 19 I had mentioned this a couple of weeks  
 20 ago. And I was like why don't we just go back  
 21 to where they do it at the other end where you

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1 have it on Election Day. And I understand that  
 2 they do have their bingo. So I'm glad that  
 3 that worked out.  
 4 MS. COOK: Yes.  
 5 MS. PRICE: I do have a question, though,  
 6 about the schools. I mean I do have a certain  
 7 about closing the high school, especially in  
 8 April.  
 9 I remember when we used to have the voting  
 10 at the middle school because it has a separate  
 11 entrance to the gymnasium and plenty of parking  
 12 there. And so if you're going to close  
 13 schools, the last schools you want to close,  
 14 especially leading up to AP exams, is the high  
 15 schools.  
 16 And I know that you've come to this  
 17 agreement, but I don't understand why or was  
 18 there any discussion about using the middle  
 19 school gymnasium instead of the high school.  
 20 It's around the corner, and it wouldn't require  
 21 taking our high school kids out of school when

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1 you're leading up to important tests. And then  
 2 of course, also in November because we do close  
 3 the schools for waterfowl. So we have a little  
 4 bit of a unique situation.  
 5 But at least April. Was it discussed to  
 6 use that gymnasium with the separate entrance,  
 7 which we used to do years ago?  
 8 MR. BLACK: If I recall correctly, we had  
 9 the traffic problem there. That was one of the  
 10 concerns. And I don't think the whole school  
 11 was closed and then --  
 12 MS. PRICE: Right. That's my point. You  
 13 don't --  
 14 MR. BLACK: And then the buses coming in  
 15 to pick up the students in the afternoon, it  
 16 created a traffic bottleneck. I mean it's bad  
 17 as it is now, but with voters trying to come  
 18 in. So that's the reason why, if I recall  
 19 correctly.  
 20 MS. PRICE: -- close a school, I would far  
 21 rather close a middle school, who is not

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1 dealing with AP testing and stuff that's so  
 2 important that time of year. If you have to  
 3 close a school, then I would have chosen a  
 4 lower grade than the high school because it's  
 5 just you've got a schedule, a nationwide  
 6 schedule that they have to stay on.  
 7 So I know you've decided that, but I  
 8 certainly would like to see some discussion  
 9 whether or not that that would be the better  
 10 option for April. I mean it's right there.  
 11 MR. PACK: Your question is probably  
 12 better served before the School Board to weigh  
 13 in because they know their calendar better than  
 14 we do and they know the testing schedule better  
 15 than we do. So --  
 16 MS. PRICE: Believe me, I remember the  
 17 testing schedule. It wasn't that long ago that  
 18 my kids were there.  
 19 MR. PACK: They know it better than we do.  
 20 And they would probably, if a decision was made  
 21 to use the middle school as opposed to the high

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1 school for closing, I think they would probably  
 2 be the better board to raise the question  
 3 before.  
 4 MS. COOK: And can I also interject that  
 5 there's only one other county that has schools  
 6 open in April, and it's Caroline County. All  
 7 other schools are closed, all, even the  
 8 elementary schools, everything is closed to the  
 9 students or closed, period, in the rest of the  
 10 state.  
 11 MS. PRICE: Aren't they just closing the  
 12 high school?  
 13 MS. COOK: For Talbot, we're only closing  
 14 the two high schools.  
 15 MS. PRICE: Which is the worst. Again, in  
 16 my opinion, as a parent, taking the County  
 17 Council hat off and putting that hat back on,  
 18 you've got tests coming up the second week of  
 19 May. It's just it's tough.  
 20 MS. COOK: All the schools are facing. So  
 21 I'm sure that they'll work around. And it was

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1 given from the State Board of Education, the  
 2 waiver was given.  
 3 MR. PACK: Was approved by the --  
 4 MS. PRICE: I'm just saying it's a  
 5 nationwide test. They don't care just about  
 6 Maryland.  
 7 MR. PACK: But I believe if I heard  
 8 Ms. Cook correctly, you said that even in other  
 9 counties on those days, and I know they do AP  
 10 testing in other counties, the schools are  
 11 closed.  
 12 MS. PRICE: Correct. I'm saying the AP  
 13 testing in a nationwide test, not just  
 14 Maryland.  
 15 MR. PACK: Yeah. But if schools are  
 16 closed in every other county on that day, that  
 17 one day, I mean Queen Anne County is closed,  
 18 Dorchester County is closed, Wicomico County is  
 19 closed, high school, middle, and elementary  
 20 school.  
 21 MS. COOK: Yes.

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1 MS. PRICE: Not optimum.  
 2 MR. PACK: Well, the School Board's  
 3 decision.  
 4 MS. COOK: Yes. And we're doing it.  
 5 MR. PACK: So again, good news across the  
 6 board.  
 7 Again, I just want to say hats off to the  
 8 Easton Volunteer Fire Department for stepping  
 9 up and be true champions to the citizens of  
 10 Talbot County, to Richard, to Sonny Jones, and  
 11 to all the trustees there, Barry Slaughter and  
 12 the rest of the trustees. Just appreciate  
 13 their understanding and their cooperation to  
 14 work through these issues and come to an  
 15 amicable agreement. Cost you a little bit more  
 16 money, but it's worth it.  
 17 MS. COOK: Yes. Definitely.  
 18 MR. PACK: It's definitely worth it.  
 19 MS. COOK: And thank you again.  
 20 MR. PACK: Thank you. My pleasure.  
 21 MR. BLACK: Thank you.

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1 MR. PACK: Thank you, Mr. Black.  
 2 Okay. We are about 15 minutes late for  
 3 our public hearing. I'm going to ask our  
 4 airport manager, Mr. Risher, to join us at the  
 5 table, if you wouldn't mind.  
 6 And Madam Secretary, if I could turn to  
 7 you for the reading of the title for Resolution  
 8 276.  
 9 And then Mr. Risher, I'll turn it over to  
 10 you, sir.  
 11 SECRETARY: Resolution Number 276, a  
 12 resolution to approve execution of a lease of  
 13 approximately 360 square feet of office space  
 14 inside the terminal at the Easton Airport,  
 15 29137 Newnam Road, Easton, Maryland 21601, to  
 16 Flight Support Services, LLC, D/B/A Maryland  
 17 Air, for a term of five years with base rent of  
 18 \$700 per month with the right to renew for up  
 19 to one additional five-year term.  
 20 MR. PACK: Floor is yours.  
 21 MR. RISHER: So good evening, Council.

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1 Thank you. So we've been here a couple of  
 2 times introducing this and now we've reached  
 3 the end of the line.  
 4 Maryland Air is one of our long-time  
 5 businesses. Been very good to the airport,  
 6 very good relationship. This helps their  
 7 business grow. It is the old conference room  
 8 there that we have vacated. So this is a good  
 9 deal for the airport, and it's a good deal to  
 10 help the business of Maryland Air.  
 11 MR. PACK: Okay. Any questions of  
 12 Mr. Risher before we go into the public hearing  
 13 on the resolution? Okay.  
 14 You can probably just stay seated right  
 15 there. I don't think we're going to have a mad  
 16 rush to the table, but I could be wrong. Okay.  
 17 Mr. Callahan is going to keep time for us.  
 18 If you're here to speak on the Resolution 276,  
 19 come to the table. Please give us your name  
 20 and your address. If you're speaking for a  
 21 group, please give us the name of that group.

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1 If so recognized, he'll give you five minutes.  
 2 If you're speaking for yourself, we'll give you  
 3 three minutes.  
 4 Since only Ms. Lane is sitting on the left  
 5 side, I'll move over to the right side. And I  
 6 believe we have all staff except for  
 7 Ms. Haywood, who is always here representing  
 8 the Midshore Board of Realtors. Good seeing  
 9 you again.  
 10 Jimmy; is here with us, too, today.  
 11 Jimmy, you want to speak today?  
 12 JIMMY: No. I'm just listening.  
 13 MR. PACK: No. Okay. We'll skip over  
 14 Jimmy, too. So I think all we have here is  
 15 just staff. We had a houseful earlier. But so  
 16 be it.  
 17 With that, Council, I ask that the public  
 18 hearing be closed. If there's no objection,  
 19 public hearing is now closed on 276.  
 20 Madam Secretary, you've read this a second  
 21 time already. It is a resolution. So I

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<p>1 believe it can be moved for Council for vote,  2 if I'm not -- you know what, let me not. I'm  3 sorry. Yes, yes. It can be moved for vote  4 tonight. And it has been read a second time  5 for our hearing.  6 Is there a motion to move Resolution 276  7 forward to vote tonight?  8 MR. CALLAHAN: So moved.  9 MR. PACK: Moved by Mr. Callahan.  10 MR. LESHER: Second.  11 MR. PACK: Seconded by Mr. Leshner. Any  12 discussion on 276 being moved to vote tonight?  13 Hearing none, Madam Secretary, please call  14 the roll on Resolution 276.  15 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.  16 MR. PACK: Aye.  17 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.  18 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.  19 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.  20 MS. PRICE: Aye.  21 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.</p>	<p>1 MR. PACK: Thank you, Madam Secretary.  2 MR. RISHER: Yes. This is another  3 exciting opportunity, bring something new to  4 the airport. Having an aviation medical  5 examiner right there in the terminal, it's  6 really special. It's going to bring pilots to  7 the airport. It's going to be a great service  8 to our airport community.  9 All of our pilots, our air traffic  10 controllers need to have physicals every year  11 or two. So this makes it very convenient for  12 them. It really increases our customer  13 service, and it's going to drive good business  14 at the airport. Another good deal for the  15 community and the airport.  16 MR. PACK: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Risher.  17 Any questions of Mr. Risher before we go into  18 public hearing?  19 Hearing none, I'm not going to go through  20 that again. Is there anyone here to speak on  21 277? Jim, you want to speak on 277?</p>
<p>Page 47</p> <p>1 MR. LESHER: Aye.  2 MR. PACK: Mr. Divilio is on vacation,  3 Council, but I believe he left a vote on 276.  4 I'll turn it over to Mr. Kupersmith for  5 that.  6 MR. KUPERSMITH: He did. Thank you,  7 Mr. Pack.  8 Mr. Divilio votes aye.  9 MR. PACK: So 276 passes by Council.  10 Micah, we now have 277 in front of us.  11 I ask Madam Secretary to read 277.  12 SECRETARY: Resolution Number 277, a  13 resolution to approve execution of a lease of  14 approximately 180 square feet of office space  15 inside the terminal at the Easton Airport,  16 29137 Newnam Road, Easton, Maryland 21601, to  17 Thomas M. Rosenthal, M.D., for a term of five  18 years with base rent of \$300 per month, which  19 space shall be used by Dr. Rosenthal to provide  20 aviation medical examinations to pilots  21 operating at the airport.</p>	<p>Page 49</p> <p>1 JIMMY: I'm good.  2 MR. PACK: Okay. Then, Council, if  3 there's no objection, I'm going to close the  4 public hearing on 277.  5 This is a resolution. It has been read a  6 second time. It can be moved to vote tonight.  7 Is there a motion to do so?  8 MR. CALLAHAN: So moved.  9 MR. PACK: Moved by Mr. Callahan.  10 MR. LESHER: Second.  11 MR. PACK: Seconded by Mr. Leshner. Any  12 further discussion on 277?  13 Hearing none, Madam Secretary, will you  14 please call the roll on 277.  15 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.  16 MR. PACK: Aye.  17 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.  18 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.  19 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.  20 MS. PRICE: Aye.  21 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.</p>

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<p>1 MR. LESHER: Aye.</p> <p>2 SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio.</p> <p>3 MR. PACK: And Mr. Divilio,</p> <p>4 Mr. Kupersmith.</p> <p>5 MR. KUPERSMITH: Votes aye.</p> <p>6 MR. PACK: Okay. Thank you. 277 passes.</p> <p>7 And Micah, is that the last one for you?</p> <p>8 MR. RISHER: That was it.</p> <p>9 MR. PACK: Thank you very much.</p> <p>10 Appreciate it.</p> <p>11 MR. RISHER: Thank you.</p> <p>12 MR. PACK: And next up, Ms. Lane, is that</p> <p>13 you? Okay. I'm going to ask our fiscal</p> <p>14 officer, Ms. Lane, to come to the table.</p> <p>15 This is Bill 14 -- we have several bills</p> <p>16 to read. These are enabling bills.</p> <p>17 Ms. Lane, what I'm going to have her do,</p> <p>18 unless you object, is just read all the titles</p> <p>19 of all the bills at once and then we'll have</p> <p>20 one mass public hearing. And then we'll see</p> <p>21 how Council wants to proceed after that.</p>	<p>1 construction for the connection of Bar Neck and</p> <p>2 Fairbank communities to the region five</p> <p>3 Tilghman wastewater treatment plant.</p> <p>4 Bill Number 1419, a bill to authorize a</p> <p>5 capital project for the installation of a belt</p> <p>6 filter press to upgrade the region two</p> <p>7 St. Michael's wastewater treatment plant.</p> <p>8 Bill Number 1420, a bill to authorize a</p> <p>9 capital project for renovation of classrooms at</p> <p>10 the Easton Elementary School Dobson building</p> <p>11 for the Early Head Start program.</p> <p>12 Bill Number 1421, a bill to amend the</p> <p>13 appropriation for the construction of the new</p> <p>14 Easton Elementary School.</p> <p>15 Bill Number 1422, a bill to amend the</p> <p>16 appropriation for storm water management and</p> <p>17 upgrades of Goldsborough Neck Road and Airport</p> <p>18 Road.</p> <p>19 Bill Number 1423, a bill to amend the</p> <p>20 appropriation for the dredging of Knapps</p> <p>21 Narrows and Dogwood Harbor, Tilghman, Maryland.</p>
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<p>1 So if you want to stop and add anything on</p> <p>2 any of the bills, just please feel free to do</p> <p>3 so if you want to add any additional comment as</p> <p>4 she reads them. Oh, you want to read them?</p> <p>5 MS. LANE: I can read them all.</p> <p>6 All of these bills are part of capital</p> <p>7 enabling legislation. These projects were all</p> <p>8 part of the fiscal 2020 budget that was adopted</p> <p>9 by the Council. But our section 213 of the</p> <p>10 county charter requires that each capital</p> <p>11 project has its own legislation.</p> <p>12 MR. PACK: And if I may, if any Council</p> <p>13 member wants to ask questions while she reads,</p> <p>14 please just ask questions.</p> <p>15 So we'll have Ms. Lane read through the</p> <p>16 bills for us. Again, if you want to ask</p> <p>17 question, please go ahead and do so.</p> <p>18 So we're going to start with 1418,</p> <p>19 Ms. Lane.</p> <p>20 MS. LANE: Bill Number 1418, a bill to</p> <p>21 authorize a capital project for the</p>	<p>1 Bill Number 1424, a bill to authorize the</p> <p>2 purchase of land for future county purposes.</p> <p>3 Bill Number 1425, a bill to authorize a</p> <p>4 public landing maintenance program.</p> <p>5 Bill Number 1426, a bill to authorize a</p> <p>6 capital project for sanitary district region</p> <p>7 one, Unionville, Tunis Mills, Copperville, and</p> <p>8 for region two, Royal Oak, Newcomb, Bellevue,</p> <p>9 and St. Michael's pump station upgrades and</p> <p>10 improvements.</p> <p>11 Bill Number 1427, a bill to authorize a</p> <p>12 capital project for the construction of a</p> <p>13 recycling station for the Bay Hundred area.</p> <p>14 Bill Number 1428, a bill to authorize</p> <p>15 improvements to Reeses Landing.</p> <p>16 Bill Number 1429, a bill to authorize a</p> <p>17 capital project for the watershed improvement</p> <p>18 plan for the west area of the region two</p> <p>19 St. Michael's wastewater treatment plant area.</p> <p>20 Bill Number 1430, a bill to amend the</p> <p>21 appropriation for the region two St. Michael's</p>

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1 sewer rehabilitation and improvements.  
 2 Bill Number 1431, a bill to authorize a  
 3 region five Tilghman wastewater treatment plant  
 4 feasibility study.  
 5 Bill Number 1432, a bill to amend the  
 6 appropriation for parking expansion at  
 7 Brooklets Place, the Talbot County Senior  
 8 Center.  
 9 Bill Number 1433, a bill to amend the  
 10 appropriation for the dredging of Tongers  
 11 Basin, for the construction of boat slips, and  
 12 for the repair and/or replacement of the  
 13 bulkhead at Tongers Basin, Tilghman, Maryland.  
 14 MR. PACK: Thank you very much, Ms. Lane.  
 15 We do have also in the audience our county  
 16 engineer. Mr. Ray Clarke is with us, as well  
 17 as our Parks & Rec director, Mr. Preston Peper.  
 18 Some of these bills touch on their departments.  
 19 Any input from either of you gentlemen on  
 20 any of the bills? Okay. Great.  
 21 These are public hearing on all of these

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1 bills. Ms. Lane, if you want to, just stay.  
 2 It's not going to be a mad rush.  
 3 It's, again, public hearing. The ground  
 4 rules have already been laid. Anyone wish to  
 5 speak on any of these bills, please come  
 6 forward. Give us the bill number that you're  
 7 speaking in reference to, again, your name and  
 8 your address. Mr. Callahan will keep time for  
 9 us. Anyone want to come forward to speak on  
 10 any of these bills? Jimmy? Okay. Just  
 11 checking.  
 12 Council, I'm going to ask that we close  
 13 the public hearing on the bills outlined by  
 14 Ms. Lane if there's no objection.  
 15 Have these bills been read a third time  
 16 already?  
 17 MS. LANE: No. You need to go to third  
 18 reader.  
 19 MR. PACK: If I could, if there is a  
 20 motion to move any of these bills or all of  
 21 these bills to third reader, the chair would

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1 entertain that motion at this time.  
 2 MR. CALLAHAN: So moved.  
 3 MR. LESHER: My inclination, could we -- I  
 4 have a remaining question on Bill 1433, the  
 5 last one, if we could.  
 6 MR. PACK: 1433, sure. 1433. Mr. Peper,  
 7 you want to come forward, or Ms. Lane, to  
 8 answer Mr. Lesher's question if you could.  
 9 1433.  
 10 MR. LESHER: Yeah. And I recall when we  
 11 introduced this, I don't know that we know too  
 12 much about this at this point.  
 13 Are we going to be reducing the capacity  
 14 of Tongers Basin? And I presume that if so,  
 15 that that's being done because we simply have  
 16 fewer watermen that are using this facility.  
 17 And how is this going to change the look and  
 18 usage of Tongers Basin?  
 19 MR. PEPPER: So Tongers Basin has slips on  
 20 one side already.  
 21 The thought process is we were going to

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1 explore the possibility of possibly putting  
 2 slips on the other side.  
 3 Right now they just, when they dock up to  
 4 it, they just dock parallel. You get more  
 5 boats that are able to use it if they go in the  
 6 other way.  
 7 That's strictly something we're looking  
 8 at. That hasn't been decided as of yet.  
 9 MR. LESHER: So this is strictly for  
 10 the -- this dredging would allow for that to  
 11 happen, but this is not the appropriation for  
 12 that marine construction, this is only for the  
 13 dredging at this point?  
 14 MS. LANE: There are funds in here for  
 15 potentially both projects, but the dredging is  
 16 the priority at this point. And if there are  
 17 adequate funds, we'll consider reviewing the  
 18 options for boat slips. But the priority is  
 19 the dredging at this point.  
 20 MR. HOLLIS: And the bulkhead.  
 21 MR. PACK: And the bulkhead.



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<p>1 MS. LANE: And the bulkhead, yes.</p> <p>2 MS. PRICE: But you'll come back to</p> <p>3 Council before you decide to put the slips in?</p> <p>4 MR. PEPPER: Correct.</p> <p>5 MR. PACK: Okay. You good?</p> <p>6 MR. LESHER: That answers my question.</p> <p>7 Thank you very much.</p> <p>8 MR. PACK: Thank you very much, Preston.</p> <p>9 MS. PRICE: Make a motion to move all of</p> <p>10 them to third reader.</p> <p>11 MR. PACK: Okay. We have a motion by</p> <p>12 Ms. Price to move all of the bills outlined by</p> <p>13 Ms. Lane to third reader.</p> <p>14 MR. CALLAHAN: Second it.</p> <p>15 MR. PACK: Seconded by Mr. Callahan. Any</p> <p>16 objection? Okay.</p> <p>17 On the vote to move these bills, and I'm</p> <p>18 not going to read all the bill numbers. In</p> <p>19 case I have to. Do I have to, Mr. Kupersmith?</p> <p>20 No.</p> <p>21 MR. KUPERSMITH: I think you're fine. I</p>	<p>1 the motion to third reader?</p> <p>2 MR. KUPERSMITH: No.</p> <p>3 MR. LESHER: He did not. So the motion</p> <p>4 does pass and move the bills before us for</p> <p>5 third reader.</p> <p>6 Any additional comment, question on any of</p> <p>7 the bills? Any additional information we're</p> <p>8 seeking at this time?</p> <p>9 MR. CALLAHAN: There was just one. Hey,</p> <p>10 Ray, the feasibility study on Tilghman.</p> <p>11 MR. PACK: What bill number is that,</p> <p>12 Mr. Callahan?</p> <p>13 MR. CALLAHAN: I'm sorry. Bill 1431.</p> <p>14 MR. PACK: 1431.</p> <p>15 MR. CALLAHAN: Remind me about that study,</p> <p>16 what you're looking to do. Because I thought</p> <p>17 eventually we're going to come from</p> <p>18 St. Michael's, right, go that way.</p> <p>19 MR. CLARKE: I guess the feasibility study</p> <p>20 is going to actually look at the wastewater</p> <p>21 treatment plant, and it's going to look at the</p>
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<p>1 think you reviewed them all. Yeah.</p> <p>2 MR. PACK: Okay.</p> <p>3 MS. PRICE: I ask that so much be</p> <p>4 considered a reading. Does that work?</p> <p>5 MR. PACK: Well, I have to first go</p> <p>6 through my first -- you're one step ahead of</p> <p>7 me.</p> <p>8 MS. PRICE: That's normal.</p> <p>9 MR. PACK: On the motion to move the bills</p> <p>10 outlined by Ms. Lane to third reader only,</p> <p>11 Madam Secretary, please call your vote on that</p> <p>12 motion.</p> <p>13 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.</p> <p>14 MR. PACK: Aye.</p> <p>15 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.</p> <p>16 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.</p> <p>17 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.</p> <p>18 MS. PRICE: Aye.</p> <p>19 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.</p> <p>20 MR. LESHER: Aye.</p> <p>21 MR. PACK: Did Mr. Divilio leave a vote on</p>	<p>1 option of upgrading the Tilghman Island</p> <p>2 wastewater treatment plant with enhanced</p> <p>3 nutrient removal technologies or the</p> <p>4 possibility of pumping the flows to</p> <p>5 St. Michael's and then expanding St. Michael's.</p> <p>6 So that's part of the feasible study that we're</p> <p>7 looking at.</p> <p>8 MR. CALLAHAN: And expanding</p> <p>9 St. Michael's?</p> <p>10 MR. CLARKE: It would be looking at those</p> <p>11 options. It would be looking at the option of</p> <p>12 upgrading the region five wastewater treatment</p> <p>13 plant at Tilghman Island. Basically from --</p> <p>14 it's currently a secondary treatment plant. It</p> <p>15 would be upgraded to what we call enhanced</p> <p>16 nutrient removal technologies, which is what</p> <p>17 St. Michael's is today.</p> <p>18 The other option, if it's more feasible,</p> <p>19 would be to potentially pump the wastewater</p> <p>20 flows from Tilghman all the way to</p> <p>21 St. Michael's. But to do that, we would have</p>

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1 to expand St. Michael's. So that feasibility  
 2 study --  
 3 MR. CALLAHAN: Am I thinking right? A  
 4 couple of years ago we were thinking of just  
 5 the opposite because of future, down-the-road  
 6 flooding in Tilghman, that we were going to  
 7 shut that down and pump from St. Michael's to  
 8 Tilghman?  
 9 I thought we discussed that --  
 10 MS. PRICE: No. The other way around.  
 11 MR. CLARKE: It was always going to go  
 12 from Tilghman to St. Michael's.  
 13 MR. CALLAHAN: It was, okay. Got you, got  
 14 you. All right.  
 15 MR. PACK: You good?  
 16 MR. CALLAHAN: I'm good. Thank you. I  
 17 appreciate it.  
 18 MR. PACK: Thank you, Ray.  
 19 MS. PRICE: I just want to -- on 1420,  
 20 just because I had a constituent e-mail me.  
 21 MR. PACK: 1420?

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1 MS. PRICE: Yes. About the renovation of  
 2 classrooms at the Dobson building.  
 3 They were confused because they thought  
 4 isn't the building coming down. And I just --  
 5 if you just want to remind for the public that  
 6 they're keeping just a very small section of  
 7 buildings standing for that.  
 8 MS. LANE: Well, the majority of -- well,  
 9 the Moton building will be demolished entirely  
 10 and the majority of the Dobson building will be  
 11 demolished.  
 12 We're keeping I believe between six to  
 13 eight classrooms available for Early Head Start  
 14 and other programs that may be appropriate to  
 15 locate on that campus, programs for early young  
 16 children. So we are trying to maintain a small  
 17 section of classrooms, primarily for the Early  
 18 Head Start program.  
 19 The rest of the facility will be  
 20 demolished.  
 21 MS. PRICE: Wasn't that the newer section

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1 that was built anyway?  
 2 MS. LANE: Yes.  
 3 MR. PACK: It's only about ten years old.  
 4 MR. HOLLIS: So the plan has always been  
 5 to retain the Head Start operation, which is  
 6 the newest building connected to Dobson, and  
 7 then keep an additional four classrooms of the  
 8 existing structure for Early Head Start  
 9 connected to the Head Start building.  
 10 MS. PRICE: And that's at a cost, if  
 11 I'm -- \$800,000?  
 12 MS. LANE: 800,000 is the total cost --  
 13 MS. PRICE: To keep it?  
 14 MS. LANE: Right. Because it's not only  
 15 keeping it. It's we have to upgrade  
 16 infrastructure for electrical, HVAC, some  
 17 plumbing.  
 18 MS. PRICE: -- are going to cost us  
 19 \$800,000.  
 20 MS. LANE: But we are applying for grants.  
 21 So we expect to fund approximately \$600,000 of

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1 the cost and county's share will be 200,000.  
 2 MS. PRICE: I wanted clarification because  
 3 there was a couple of people that were  
 4 confused.  
 5 MR. PACK: Any other questions? Okay.  
 6 There has been a motion that did pass to  
 7 move all these bills to third reader.  
 8 So Madam Secretary, on 1418, if you would  
 9 please read the bill.  
 10 SECRETARY: Bill Number 1418 --  
 11 MS. PRICE: Could I ask that so much be  
 12 considered a reading of all the bills?  
 13 MR. PACK: Is that good?  
 14 MS. PRICE: Tony is nodding.  
 15 MR. PACK: I got to check with the referee  
 16 first these days. You never know.  
 17 Okay. So we have a fair ball on all bills  
 18 being moved to third reader. Ms. Price has  
 19 made a motion that so much be considered a  
 20 reading of all the bills. We have been told we  
 21 are in play. Any objection? No objections.

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<p>1 The bills are now before us for final 2 vote. 3 Madam Secretary, on 1418 would you please 4 call the roll. 5 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack. 6 MR. PACK: Aye. 7 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan. 8 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye. 9 SECRETARY: Ms. Price. 10 MS. PRICE: Aye. 11 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner. 12 MR. LESHER: Aye. 13 SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio. 14 MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye. 15 MR. PACK: 1413 passes five, O. 16 Madam Secretary, on 1419. 17 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack. 18 MR. PACK: Aye. 19 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan. 20 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye. 21 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.</p>	<p>1 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye. 2 SECRETARY: Ms. Price. 3 MS. PRICE: Aye. 4 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner. 5 MR. LESHER: Aye. 6 SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio. 7 MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye. 8 MR. PACK: 1422. 9 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack. 10 MR. PACK: Aye. 11 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan. 12 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye. 13 SECRETARY: Ms. Price. 14 MS. PRICE: Aye. 15 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner. 16 MR. LESHER: Aye. 17 SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio. 18 MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye. 19 MR. PACK: 1423. 20 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack. 21 MR. PACK: Aye.</p>
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<p>1 MS. PRICE: Aye. 2 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner. 3 MR. LESHER: Aye. 4 SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio. 5 MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye. 6 MR. PACK: Thank you. It passes. 7 On 1420. 8 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack. 9 MR. PACK: Aye. 10 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan. 11 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye. 12 SECRETARY: Ms. Price. 13 MS. PRICE: Aye. 14 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner. 15 MR. LESHER: Aye. 16 SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio. 17 MR. KUPERSMITH: Mr. Divilio votes aye. 18 MR. PACK: Thank you. 1421. 19 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack. 20 MR. PACK: Aye. 21 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.</p>	<p>1 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan. 2 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye. 3 SECRETARY: Ms. Price. 4 MS. PRICE: Aye. 5 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner. 6 MR. LESHER: Aye. 7 SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio. 8 MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye. 9 MR. PACK: 1424. 10 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack. 11 MR. PACK: Aye. 12 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan. 13 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye. 14 SECRETARY: Ms. Price. 15 MS. PRICE: Aye. 16 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner. 17 MR. LESHER: Aye. 18 SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio. 19 MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye. 20 MR. PACK: 1425. 21 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.</p>

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1	MR. PACK: Aye.	1	SECRETARY: Ms. Price.
2	SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.	2	MS. PRICE: Aye.
3	MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.	3	SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.
4	SECRETARY: Ms. Price.	4	MR. LESHER: Aye.
5	MS. PRICE: Aye.	5	SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio.
6	SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.	6	MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye.
7	MR. LESHER: Aye.	7	MR. PACK: 1429.
8	SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio.	8	SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.
9	MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye.	9	MR. PACK: Aye.
10	MR. PACK: 1426.	10	SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.
11	SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.	11	MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.
12	MR. PACK: Aye.	12	SECRETARY: Ms. Price.
13	SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.	13	MS. PRICE: Aye.
14	MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.	14	SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.
15	SECRETARY: Ms. Price.	15	MR. LESHER: Aye.
16	MS. PRICE: Aye.	16	SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio.
17	SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.	17	MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye.
18	MR. LESHER: Aye.	18	MR. PACK: 1430.
19	SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio.	19	SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.
20	MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye.	20	MR. PACK: Aye.
21	MR. PACK: 1427.	21	SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.
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1	SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.	1	MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.
2	MR. PACK: Aye.	2	SECRETARY: Ms. Price.
3	SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.	3	MS. PRICE: Aye.
4	MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.	4	SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.
5	SECRETARY: Ms. Price.	5	MR. LESHER: Aye.
6	MS. PRICE: Aye.	6	SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio.
7	SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.	7	MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye.
8	MR. LESHER: Aye.	8	MR. PACK: 1431.
9	SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio.	9	SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.
10	MR. KUPERSMITH: Mr. Divilio did not leave	10	MR. PACK: Aye.
11	a ballot for that one.	11	SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.
12	MR. PACK: Okay. Four, O.	12	MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.
13	1429.	13	SECRETARY: Ms. Price.
14	SECRETARY: Twenty-eight.	14	MS. PRICE: Aye.
15	MS. LANE: Twenty-eight.	15	SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.
16	MR. PACK: Twenty-eight, I'm sorry. Okay.	16	MR. LESHER: Aye.
17	1428. I apologize.	17	SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio.
18	SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.	18	MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye.
19	MR. PACK: Aye.	19	MR. PACK: 1432.
20	SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.	20	SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.
21	MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.	21	MR. PACK: Aye.

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1 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.  
 2 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.  
 3 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.  
 4 MS. PRICE: Aye.  
 5 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.  
 6 MR. LESHER: Aye.  
 7 SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio.  
 8 MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye.  
 9 MR. PACK: And 1433.  
 10 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.  
 11 MR. PACK: Aye.  
 12 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.  
 13 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.  
 14 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.  
 15 MS. PRICE: Aye.  
 16 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.  
 17 MR. LESHER: Aye.  
 18 SECRETARY: Mr. Divilio.  
 19 MR. KUPERSMITH: Aye.  
 20 MR. PACK: Okay. Was 1427 not prepared  
 21 for him?

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1 MS. MORRIS: It was prepared, and he just  
 2 chose not to leave a ballot.  
 3 MR. PACK: Okay.  
 4 MS. LANE: Thank you.  
 5 MR. PACK: Thank you very much, Ms. Lane.  
 6 Thank you very much, Council. And thank you  
 7 very much, staff, for being here to answer  
 8 those questions. We do appreciate it.  
 9 Mr. Mertaugh, you want to come up to the  
 10 table, please.  
 11 Council, we have consideration of Traffic  
 12 Advisory Board Committee recommendation to  
 13 request a temporary road closure on Three  
 14 Bridge Branch Road for the Chesapeake Balloon  
 15 Festival. Mr. Mike Mertaugh, our assistant  
 16 engineer, is here with us.  
 17 Mike, the floor is yours.  
 18 MR. MERTAUGH: Thank you. So this is an  
 19 annual event nowadays for closure of the  
 20 portion of Three Bridge Branch Road between  
 21 Cordova Road, Maryland 309, and Old Cordova

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1 Road.  
 2 The event, the closure for the event is on  
 3 Friday, August 2nd, and Saturday, August 3rd,  
 4 from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. and then Sunday,  
 5 August 4th, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
 6 So the Traffic Advisory Committee met,  
 7 which was represented by the sheriff, roads  
 8 superintendent, Department of Emergency  
 9 Services, and Public Works. And our  
 10 recommendation is to go ahead and make those  
 11 closures for this event.  
 12 The concept is and the way it's worked in  
 13 the past is that that's a window for closure,  
 14 that 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., which is essentially  
 15 two hours before and two hours after their main  
 16 events. And they close it as needed based on  
 17 traffic volumes, especially when it's over. Of  
 18 course, everyone is leaving at the same time.  
 19 It definitely gets closed then. There's a lot  
 20 of pedestrian traffic and people coming and  
 21 going.

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1 So it isn't necessarily absolutely from  
 2 ten to 11, but they want to have that option as  
 3 needed.  
 4 MR. PACK: So run this by me again. We  
 5 got to report this out to the citizens so they  
 6 can make arrangements as far as their travel.  
 7 MR. MERTAUGH: Right.  
 8 MR. PACK: So are we saying that 10 a.m.  
 9 is the earliest it can be closed, at 10 a.m.,  
 10 but it may not be closed at 10 a.m.?  
 11 MR. MERTAUGH: That is correct.  
 12 MR. PACK: My thing is that if we're going  
 13 to publicize a road closure, then let's just do  
 14 it at ten a.m. I mean if it's -- I don't want  
 15 persons coming and go that way and then realize  
 16 it's open at ten but then at 10:30 come back  
 17 and it's closed.  
 18 MR. MERTAUGH: Right.  
 19 MS. PRICE: Do they sometimes open it in  
 20 the middle of the event when it's not -- so is  
 21 it kind of. . .

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<p>1 MR. MERTAUGH: I believe once it's closed,                  2 it stays closed.                  3 What happens is is the overwhelming                  4 majority of the parking is on the opposite side                  5 of the Three Bridge Branch from where the event                  6 is occurring. So once they start getting                  7 crowds showing up -- and they actually -- they                  8 have some events in the morning that don't have                  9 a big traffic draw. And then they actually                  10 close the site down and essentially make                  11 everybody leave I guess. And then they open it                  12 back up again at noon.                  13 So the traffic for the event just builds                  14 as the day wears on is my understanding.                  15 MR. PACK: Do you have an agenda of the                  16 day's event for Council to also take a look at?                  17 MR. MERTAUGH: So I do not have an agenda                  18 with me for their event. And frankly, it's in                  19 draft form at the moment.                  20 MR. PACK: In draft form. It's almost                  21 the -- what is today, the 24th, 23rd?</p>	<p>1 everything is Kosher with that?                  2 MR. CALLAHAN: Everything, yeah. I've                  3 talked to Alex a little bit. Everything is                  4 sort of on board.                  5 MR. PACK: Sort of on board.                  6 MR. CALLAHAN: Well, it is on board.                  7 Joe has stepped up to the plate and made                  8 it very economical for them this year. They                  9 worked out the kinks they had last year. It                  10 runs very smooth last year.                  11 Joe seemed to feel like they had enough                  12 officers last year that it's -- let's just say                  13 they had 12 to 15 officers. They felt like                  14 that was probably at the time enough, but it                  15 was more than enough.                  16 So this year they've cut back a little                  17 bit. He's been in contact with Alex Spies,                  18 which runs the place.                  19 MR. MERTAUGH: Correct.                  20 MR. CALLAHAN: And they're sort of working                  21 out the logistics on that road.</p>
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<p>1 MR. MERTAUGH: Correct.                  2 MR. PACK: And this event is going to take                  3 place on August the 2nd?                  4 MR. MERTAUGH: That's correct.                  5 MR. PACK: And it's in draft form?                  6 MR. MERTAUGH: Correct. I believe that                  7 they were supposed to get some of their final                  8 documents in either today or tomorrow. We've                  9 been working towards getting it finalized with                  10 them.                  11 MS. PRICE: So you have -- we have some of                  12 our public safety people working with that?                  13 MR. MERTAUGH: Absolutely.                  14 MS. PRICE: Is that something that is at                  15 tax payer expense or are we reimbursed by the                  16 event for that staff?                  17 MR. MERTAUGH: They're billed for staff                  18 time, I believe the Sheriff's Office, Emergency                  19 Services, and also the Roads Department for                  20 their --                  21 MS. PRICE: And no problems? I mean</p>	<p>1 MS. PRICE: My concern is it's not at tax                  2 payer expense, that any staff by our Sheriff's                  3 Department, public safety, is compensated for.                  4 MR. CALLAHAN: He's paying. Joe is                  5 billing him, Joe is billing him.                  6 MS. PRICE: Just want to make sure that's                  7 going to happen.                  8 MR. CALLAHAN: Yeah.                  9 MR. HOLLIS: So Ms. Price, to be on the                  10 record, so there's an outstanding balance of                  11 approximately \$5,000 that the owner has agreed                  12 to pay prior to the event taking place.                  13 Mr. Callahan, to his credit, has been                  14 working one on one with him. So it's                  15 absolutely not at tax payer expense. Each of                  16 the services is billed to the provider of the                  17 event.                  18 MS. PRICE: And if that bill does not get                  19 paid prior to the start of the event?                  20 MR. CALLAHAN: He doesn't have the event.                  21 MR. PACK: Today is the 23rd. This event</p>

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1 is scheduled to take place on August the 2nd.  
 2 MR. CALLAHAN: Right.  
 3 MR. PACK: You have an outstanding balance  
 4 of \$5,000.  
 5 MR. CALLAHAN: Right.  
 6 MR. PACK: You don't have an agenda to  
 7 present the Council or present to the public of  
 8 what's going to happen on the site.  
 9 This doesn't give you pause?  
 10 MR. CALLAHAN: No, not at all.  
 11 MR. PACK: Doesn't give you pause? Okay.  
 12 MS. PRICE: We cannot wait until the day  
 13 of the event to get collection of the money.  
 14 MR. CALLAHAN: We're not because he's  
 15 going to pay next week.  
 16 MS. PRICE: The week of the event?  
 17 MR. CALLAHAN: Right. Because I mean the  
 18 man is strapped. I feel like he does an event  
 19 for Talbot County. I feel like --  
 20 MS. PRICE: Well, they charge for this  
 21 event. And it's not inexpensive.

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1 MR. CALLAHAN: And it also costs him, too.  
 2 It also costs him --  
 3 MS. PRICE: Correct. He's doing it as a  
 4 business. He's not doing it for the county.  
 5 Yes, Talbot County people come, people from all  
 6 over the state, people probably come from  
 7 Delaware.  
 8 MR. CALLAHAN: Right.  
 9 MS. PRICE: But it is a for-profit  
 10 business.  
 11 MR. CALLAHAN: Right.  
 12 MS. PRICE: A great business.  
 13 MR. CALLAHAN: For Talbot County.  
 14 MS. PRICE: I'm just saying that the bill  
 15 needs to be paid.  
 16 MR. CALLAHAN: It is going to be paid.  
 17 MR. HOLLIS: So the majority of the bill,  
 18 the vast majority of the bill has already been  
 19 paid.  
 20 I agree with you 100 percent. I think we  
 21 made it very clear to the owner of the property

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1 and the event provider that they are behind and  
 2 the bill has to be paid as well.  
 3 There was a point in time when we stopped  
 4 processing this permit altogether because there  
 5 was not sufficient payment.  
 6 MR. CALLAHAN: Right.  
 7 MS. PRICE: And what do we have for  
 8 arrangements to be paid for this?  
 9 We're not waiting a year to get paid for  
 10 this event. It needs to be paid within typical  
 11 billing, 30 days, 60 days. So I would like to  
 12 make sure that the bill gets paid for our staff  
 13 time in that 30 to 60-day window and not a  
 14 year.  
 15 MR. HOLLIS: So if your approval for the  
 16 road closure is tied to a 60-day repayment,  
 17 then that should be the motion.  
 18 MS. PRICE: Do we have other examples in  
 19 the county of situations and a typical  
 20 repayment?  
 21 I mean I know my business is 30 days. I

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1 don't know what Chuck does with his business.  
 2 I guess it's a larger amount.  
 3 MR. HOLLIS: Not that I'm familiar with,  
 4 no. I will also say --  
 5 MR. CALLAHAN: I just think we should work  
 6 with him. I mean let the man pay his bill.  
 7 Give him 90 days to pay.  
 8 A year is excessive, but he had a bad  
 9 year. He went from \$8,000 with Joe. Actually  
 10 it was ten. Joe knocked it down to eight. And  
 11 this year's bill is going to be somewhere  
 12 around 3,800 this year, upcoming year.  
 13 MS. PRICE: Then I'm going to make my  
 14 motion for 60 days. I don't think -- I think  
 15 you have the event, you're going to have the  
 16 revenue, and that you need to pay.  
 17 MR. CALLAHAN: You don't know that though,  
 18 Laura.  
 19 MS. PRICE: Then maybe he --  
 20 MR. CALLAHAN: You don't know that.  
 21 MS. PRICE: I'm making my motion to do the

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<p>1 road closure to be paid within 60 days or 2 interest gets starting to be charged because I 3 don't think we charged any interest. And I 4 don't think that that's fair because we would 5 earn interest if the money was in the bank. 6 So 60 days in full or interest starts to 7 incur. 8 MR. PACK: On the past bill? 9 MS. PRICE: No. On this current one. 10 This one has to be paid before the event or we 11 don't close the road. 12 MR. PACK: So you're tying that to your 13 motion. Okay. 14 MS. PRICE: Well, I just have to trust 15 it's going to get paid or we're going to have 16 an issue. 17 But on this one -- 18 MR. CALLAHAN: There is no issue. 19 MS. PRICE: Okay. It needs to be paid 20 before the event takes place. 21 But my motion is to be paid in full or</p>	<p>1 MR. MERTAUGH: If I can interject. It's 2 not that we don't have an agenda. 3 I mean we have an agenda. It's just not 4 the official final. It's essentially the same 5 agenda that we had last year. So I think the 6 main portions of their event are essentially 7 set. 8 The reason I said we didn't have a final 9 because until we get those final documents in 10 for the whole package -- 11 MR. PACK: What final documents in for the 12 full package? What are you referring to? 13 MR. MERTAUGH: A site plan. 14 MR. PACK: So the site plan has not be 15 done? 16 MR. MERTAUGH: It has been done. We have 17 met with them to make some changes to it. And 18 that's what we're -- that's what's due this 19 week. 20 MR. PACK: So we don't even have a 21 finished packet to even make this decision</p>
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<p>1 interest accrues. 2 MR. PACK: Ms. Lane, is that something we 3 can do as far as the interest part of this? 4 MS. LANE: Yes, we can. 5 MR. PACK: Okay. Ms. Price. I don't know 6 about you, Mr. Callahan, but it does give me 7 pause. This is the third year of this event? 8 Third year of this event. 9 I know they had overcoming crowds the 10 first year. Second year it got better. 11 By now, you would think that we would have 12 an agenda of the event for the day so that both 13 Sheriff Gamble and his staffing needs and also 14 the Roads Department and their staffing needs 15 and whether Mr. Mertaugh can make an 16 appropriate assessment of where persons need to 17 be throughout the day. 18 The fact that you don't have an agenda in 19 hand right now is very troubling to me. 20 MR. MERTAUGH: If I can. 21 MR. PACK: A week out.</p>	<p>1 based on? 2 MR. CALLAHAN: And all it is is parking 3 because -- 4 MR. PACK: All it is is parking for 5,000 5 people. That's a lot of parking. 6 MR. CALLAHAN: He's made some more 7 parking. Am I right? 8 MR. MERTAUGH: Correct. 9 MR. PACK: I want to see it. 10 MR. CALLAHAN: Am I right? 11 MR. PACK: I mean this isn't complete. I 12 mean I don't know how I can make a decision on 13 closing the roadway for an event that 14 overwhelmed the area three years ago. And you 15 would think by now you learn from your mistakes 16 from the past, and you should have been able to 17 sit down and say parking is going to be here, 18 this is going to be there, the event is going 19 to be over here, we're going to have this 20 throughout the day. 21 And when you come before Council to say</p>



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<p>1 close the road, all that should be done.</p> <p>2 I'm speaking -- I'm looking at you, but</p> <p>3 I'm speaking in general. All of this should be</p> <p>4 done.</p> <p>5 So I'm sorry, but it gives me great pause,</p> <p>6 Mr. Callahan. My comfort level is not where</p> <p>7 you are with this because the packet should be</p> <p>8 ready for Council to make a decision.</p> <p>9 Everything should be done. The parking, the</p> <p>10 balance should have been paid off by now, and</p> <p>11 we should know what the agenda is officially,</p> <p>12 not proposed, but the official agenda for the</p> <p>13 day. And we don't know that.</p> <p>14 So no, I can't vote to close the road</p> <p>15 without making sure that Ms. Verdery and her</p> <p>16 staff has done their site plan and the parking</p> <p>17 has been approved. And it hasn't. From what</p> <p>18 you're telling me, it hasn't.</p> <p>19 So I can't make a decision. I'm not going</p> <p>20 to put Talbot County citizens at that kind of</p> <p>21 mayhem again that took place three years ago</p>	<p>1 in my world minutia type things that needs to</p> <p>2 be dealt with.</p> <p>3 MR. PACK: I mean you're taking about</p> <p>4 5,000 visitors.</p> <p>5 MR. MERTAUGH: Absolutely.</p> <p>6 MR. PACK: And parking on our narrow</p> <p>7 roadways. Cordova Road is not our biggest</p> <p>8 road. It's a country road. And all the other</p> <p>9 adjoining roads are not very wide roads. You</p> <p>10 know that.</p> <p>11 MR. MERTAUGH: Yup.</p> <p>12 MR. PACK: I mean I'm preaching to the</p> <p>13 choir here.</p> <p>14 So parking is a great concern. And if</p> <p>15 that hasn't been mapped out yet by Ms. Verdery</p> <p>16 and her staff to approve it, how can I approve</p> <p>17 the road closure?</p> <p>18 MR. LESHER: Mr. Pack.</p> <p>19 MR. PACK: Yes, sir.</p> <p>20 MR. LESHER: I'll second the motion.</p> <p>21 MR. PACK: What was the motion? I lost</p>
<p>1 without having those answers. I can't justify</p> <p>2 doing that in good consciousness. No.</p> <p>3 MR. MERTAUGH: I don't want to be</p> <p>4 argumentative --</p> <p>5 MR. PACK: No, I'm not. I'm looking at</p> <p>6 you, Mike.</p> <p>7 MR. MERTAUGH: That's okay.</p> <p>8 MR. PACK: I'm not arguing with you.</p> <p>9 MR. MERTAUGH: But I think that just</p> <p>10 because of the timing of legislative meetings</p> <p>11 and such, I don't want to say we have the cart</p> <p>12 ahead of the horse, but the road closure today</p> <p>13 was the day to do it. The site plan, like I</p> <p>14 said, I think it's due, if it wasn't today,</p> <p>15 it's tomorrow.</p> <p>16 The changes to the site plan, from my</p> <p>17 recollection it's things like the aisle width</p> <p>18 for the areas, some of the accesses.</p> <p>19 MR. PACK: All of that's important stuff.</p> <p>20 MR. MERTAUGH: It is, absolutely. And I</p> <p>21 agree. But it's -- I don't know. It's kind of</p>	<p>1 track.</p> <p>2 Did I make a motion in all of that?</p> <p>3 MR. LESHER: To Ms. Price's motion to</p> <p>4 grant the road closure and request payment.</p> <p>5 MS. PRICE: Can I add an amendment?</p> <p>6 MR. LESHER: After 60 days.</p> <p>7 MS. PRICE: Can I add an amendment?</p> <p>8 These papers have to be in order by the</p> <p>9 end of the week.</p> <p>10 MR. MERTAUGH: They have to get a special</p> <p>11 use permit from the Planning Office.</p> <p>12 MR. PACK: I'm sorry. Council, I don't</p> <p>13 know how you guys can sit here in good</p> <p>14 consciousness knowing what happened three years</p> <p>15 ago and vote to close this road. I really</p> <p>16 don't, without knowing from your staff --</p> <p>17 MS. PRICE: -- restrictions on it.</p> <p>18 MR. PACK: You can, you can.</p> <p>19 MS. PRICE: -- add some restrictions. And</p> <p>20 feel free to add onto them.</p> <p>21 One, the bill has to be paid by Friday.</p>

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1 Two --

2 MR. PACK: Hold on. Let me write this

3 stuff down. Bill paid in full?

4 MS. PRICE: Yes.

5 MR. PACK: The prior bill by Friday?

6 MS. PRICE: Yes.

7 MR. PACK: What's the date on Friday? Is

8 that the 26th? The close of business on the

9 26th?

10 MS. PRICE: Yup.

11 MR. PACK: Close of business on the 26th.

12 COB 7/26. Okay.

13 MS. PRICE: Two, all of these site plans

14 and permits have to be in and complete by

15 Friday, which is a week before the event.

16 MR. PACK: Site plan. And what else?

17 Mr. Mertaugh? What else was there, site plan

18 and what else? The site plan and the parking

19 all go together.

20 MR. MERTAUGH: Correct. There's like

21 agreements from folks that live nearby.

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1 MR. PACK: So that's not in hand?

2 MR. MERTAUGH: Basically I guess

3 outstanding Planning Office requirements maybe

4 would be the way to do it. Letters going

5 out --

6 MR. PACK: So the notice from the

7 homeowners are not in hand yet?

8 MR. MERTAUGH: That's correct.

9 MR. PACK: In the packet?

10 MR. MERTAUGH: To the best of my

11 knowledge, yes.

12 MS. PRICE: If that is not all in hand --

13 MR. PACK: Ms. Price, come on, come on.

14 MS. PRICE: The only reason that I'm

15 making a motion is for safety purposes. If we

16 don't close the road and the event goes forward

17 when everything is done on Friday, then you're

18 putting our citizens at risk for crossing back

19 and forth across a road.

20 MR. PACK: I hear you.

21 MS. PRICE: So the only reason I'm making

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1 the motion is because the parking is on the

2 other side of the road from the event.

3 If these things are not in place by

4 Friday, the event does not happen.

5 MR. PACK: Well, if the packet is not

6 in --

7 MS. PRICE: Correct.

8 MR. PACK: -- hand, then it's not going to

9 go forward because you got to get it approved.

10 MS. PRICE: That is correct. So the only

11 reason I'm making the motion is because

12 legislatively we can't -- well, we can come

13 back next week, put in a special legislative

14 day, but I don't think we all want to come back

15 next Tuesday.

16 MR. PACK: Site plan and residential

17 agreement forms?

18 MS. PRICE: Right.

19 MR. PACK: What else?

20 MR. MERTAUGH: I think it would really

21 just be the outstanding documentation as

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1 requested by the Planning Office. I don't have

2 it with me, I don't have the file, but there's

3 a -- Mary Kay Verdery sent out a letter to them

4 of all the outstanding issues that need to be

5 addressed.

6 MR. PACK: Do we have a copy of that,

7 Ms. Morris?

8 MS. MORRIS: I will send it out to you

9 right now.

10 MS. PRICE: And of course, the other one

11 was payment in full within 60 days. Otherwise,

12 interest accrues at our rate, which, Ms. Lane,

13 is probably one and a half percent.

14 MS. LANE: One and a half percent.

15 MS. PRICE: Yup.

16 MR. PACK: One and a half percent.

17 MS. PRICE: And hopefully we send a

18 message that we don't wait until ten days

19 before an event to continue to gather things.

20 It's not the first year of the event.

21 MR. LESHNER: I'll second the amended

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1 motion.

2 MS. PRICE: Thank you, Mr. Leshner.

3 MR. PACK: So we have -- I think you

4 touched on all my points. Thank you.

5 So we have a motion to approve this based

6 on these contingencies, these conditions.

7 Thank you. That the outstanding balance of

8 \$5,000 must be paid in full, not a portion

9 thereof, not a promissory note, must be paid in

10 full by close of business on 7/26.

11 MS. PRICE: Unless we'd like to go back to

12 one and a half percent from the last 20 months.

13 MR. PACK: That's okay.

14 The Planning Office documentation that

15 Ms. Verdery has pointed out outstanding. I

16 think Ms. Morris is forwarding that.

17 MS. MORRIS: It is all due by tomorrow.

18 That's according to the latest correspondence

19 between Ms. Verdery and Mr. Spies.

20 MR. PACK: Well, we're going to even give

21 him to the 26th as far as this motion. But

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1 that paperwork must be complete and in the

2 Planning Office by no later than close of

3 business on 7/26. The residential notices to

4 the residents along that closed roadway must be

5 signed and also in the packet on no later than

6 close of business on 7/26.

7 MS. PRICE: -- time to look at it and make

8 sure they're comfortable with it.

9 MR. PACK: Ms. Morris is saying in by

10 tomorrow for them. We're saying as far as

11 Council approval, we're going to give them to

12 the end of Friday. So anything that's missing,

13 the Planning Office has a couple of days to get

14 those things shored up.

15 And I'm sorry, Mr. Callahan. We can't

16 just close roads down without making sure that

17 all the citizens are duly notified and that

18 previous balances are paid in full and that

19 proper site plans are done by the Planning

20 Office and approved. I'm just not at that

21 level of comfort.

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1 I think with these conditions, I can go

2 ahead and approve, cast my vote in favor

3 tonight. But yes, we can't wait until a week

4 out for an event that we know is going to bring

5 four or 5,000 people to the area. We can't

6 wait until a week.

7 And I'm going to add this also, if I can,

8 to the motion, Ms. Price. That we see an

9 official agenda also in that packet, official

10 agenda of the day's activity also in that

11 packet.

12 MS. PRICE: That's fine. You okay with

13 that addition?

14 MR. LESHER: If that helps the motion go

15 forward.

16 MS. PRICE: Well, I mean it shouldn't

17 change significantly from last year. We get

18 that. But it should all, all three things

19 should be complete I think is the point.

20 MR. PACK: It should be. Okay.

21 Madam Secretary, you have those items,

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1 those four items?

2 SECRETARY: I believe so, yes.

3 MR. PACK: You need me to go through them

4 again?

5 We have a motion. We have a second on the

6 table. Any further discussion? I hear some

7 heavy breathing to my right.

8 MR. CALLAHAN: It's been way, way

9 overdone.

10 MR. PACK: What has been way overdone?

11 MR. CALLAHAN: This whole thing, this

12 whole thing. It's sad, real sad. But that's

13 all I'm going to say.

14 MR. PACK: Well, it is sad. It's sad that

15 we're here a week out and we have to do it this

16 way.

17 MR. CALLAHAN: I think there's a lot more

18 organized in play. And Mike knows this. I

19 mean that's what you're saying.

20 There's a lot more that's been

21 accomplished and there's just a few little

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1 outstanding items.  
 2 MR. PACK: Like \$5,000?  
 3 MR. CALLAHAN: Yeah.  
 4 MR. PACK: Okay. A few outstanding items.  
 5 MR. LESHER: Mr. Callahan, I agree with  
 6 you. I would much rather delegate more of this  
 7 responsibility to the staff.  
 8 MR. CALLAHAN: I'm hearing you. Exactly  
 9 right.  
 10 MR. LESHER: Than handle it up here.  
 11 MR. CALLAHAN: Yeah.  
 12 MR. PACK: It has been delegated to the  
 13 staff. The staff has not received what they  
 14 need for them to approve the items.  
 15 We're not taking anything away from the  
 16 staff.  
 17 MR. HOLLIS: So I'm --  
 18 MR. PACK: Wait a minute. We're not  
 19 taking this away from the staff. It has been  
 20 delegated to the staff. The staff has not  
 21 received what they need to make a decision. So

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1 we're not taking anything away from the staff.  
 2 All we're saying is that when you're going  
 3 to bring this to us to close this roadway, all  
 4 those things from staff should be checked and  
 5 reviewed and approved.  
 6 We're not taking anything away from the  
 7 staff at all. And I don't appreciate that  
 8 assertion that we are.  
 9 Anyway, we have a motion and a second.  
 10 Anything further?  
 11 Madam Secretary, please call your roll.  
 12 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.  
 13 MR. PACK: Aye.  
 14 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.  
 15 MR. CALLAHAN: No.  
 16 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.  
 17 MS. PRICE: Aye.  
 18 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.  
 19 MR. LESHER: Aye.  
 20 MR. PACK: And of course, we don't have  
 21 anything from Mr. Divilio on this. Okay.

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1 So we need to see all these documents and  
 2 everything by close of business on the 26th.  
 3 MR. MERTAUGH: And I'll share it with the  
 4 Planning Office and make sure that the event  
 5 organizer knows.  
 6 MR. PACK: Thank you, Mike.  
 7 MR. MERTAUGH: Thank you.  
 8 MR. CALLAHAN: Thanks, Mike.  
 9 MR. HOLLIS: Ray, come up. Bid 19-04.  
 10 Dredging of Dogwood Harbor and Tongers Basin  
 11 with dredge materials placed in Dogwood Farm.  
 12 Dredge material placement site, Tilghman,  
 13 Maryland. Requesting your approval to award  
 14 this bid to the responsible bidder, Dissen &  
 15 June, LLC, in the amount of \$385,240.  
 16 They'll mechanically dredge and dispose of  
 17 the material and take it to the landfill in  
 18 Queenstown.  
 19 Project is funded by local funds and  
 20 \$200,000 in DNR waterway improvement money.  
 21 MR. PACK: Ray.

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1 MR. CLARKE: Just to let the Council know  
 2 as well as the citizens, we actually received  
 3 three bids on April 12th. Unfortunately, the  
 4 low bid, which was Southern Maryland Dredging,  
 5 provided a condition in their bid that they had  
 6 to be awarded the project as of April 23rd.  
 7 And it was unable, we were able to do that  
 8 because we had not received the permits for  
 9 dredging. We actually just received the permit  
 10 for dredging of Dogwood probably about a week  
 11 or two ago. So we did not have all the permits  
 12 in hand. And so ultimately we were unable to  
 13 meet their condition, which is the reason we're  
 14 recommending Dissen & June be awarded that  
 15 work.  
 16 MR. PACK: If you don't have the permits  
 17 in hand, you can't go forward. There you go.  
 18 Okay.  
 19 Anything further on Bid 1904?  
 20 Hearing none, Madam Secretary, please call  
 21 the roll on 1904.

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<p>1 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.</p> <p>2 MR. PACK: Aye.</p> <p>3 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.</p> <p>4 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.</p> <p>5 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.</p> <p>6 MS. PRICE: Aye.</p> <p>7 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.</p> <p>8 MR. LESHER: Aye.</p> <p>9 MR. PACK: Thank you. Passes. And we</p> <p>10 don't have anything from Mr. Divilio on that,</p> <p>11 do we, Mr. Kupersmith?</p> <p>12 MR. KUPERSMITH: We do not.</p> <p>13 MR. HOLLIS: Has Mr. Divilio left any</p> <p>14 other votes, Mr. Kupersmith?</p> <p>15 MR. KUPERSMITH: He has not, that I'm</p> <p>16 aware of.</p> <p>17 MR. HOLLIS: So Department of Parks and</p> <p>18 Recreation. You've received a memo under</p> <p>19 Mr. Peper's signature from his Park Board</p> <p>20 asking for reconsideration of funding for</p> <p>21 replacement of the playground at the Back Creek</p>	<p>1 that age that would use this playground.</p> <p>2 So Council took it out of the budget at</p> <p>3 that point.</p> <p>4 When that was brought back to Park Board</p> <p>5 that two of the items in the capital budget did</p> <p>6 not pass through, there was no discussion,</p> <p>7 there was no questioning of it.</p> <p>8 And then at the last Park Board, there was</p> <p>9 the -- it was brought back up, and the Park</p> <p>10 Board now has recommended that Council</p> <p>11 reconsider.</p> <p>12 MS. PRICE: So I'm going to comment. We</p> <p>13 don't do this out of cycle. And we made a</p> <p>14 decision. There's not enough -- I'm not saying</p> <p>15 that they might not use two different</p> <p>16 playgrounds. But if you need to go to the</p> <p>17 elementary school, we don't have the funds.</p> <p>18 And to take it out, \$120,000 out of</p> <p>19 contingency out of the budget cycle is just not</p> <p>20 something that I can support.</p> <p>21 And it's no reflection on the village or</p>
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<p>1 Park in Tilghman.</p> <p>2 That park equipment was removed this past</p> <p>3 week.</p> <p>4 MR. PEPPER: Last week, yes.</p> <p>5 MR. HOLLIS: Due to safety concerns and</p> <p>6 longevity concerns.</p> <p>7 MR. PEPPER: Correct.</p> <p>8 MR. HOLLIS: Originally it was presented</p> <p>9 to you in the budget with a negative</p> <p>10 recommendation I believe for funding from the</p> <p>11 Park Board.</p> <p>12 MR. PEPPER: No. So originally it went to</p> <p>13 Council. And at the Council budget meeting, we</p> <p>14 had a discussion on whether or not that capital</p> <p>15 item would go through based largely on the fact</p> <p>16 that there also was a playground in Tilghman at</p> <p>17 the elementary school.</p> <p>18 It was also the question was brought up,</p> <p>19 the population in Tilghman with that five to 12</p> <p>20 age range. According to the census, there's</p> <p>21 only 40 kids on Tilghman Island that are of</p>	<p>1 the people that use it. But you know, we have</p> <p>2 so many pressures on us of things to pay for</p> <p>3 that if you need to go to Tilghman Elementary</p> <p>4 School for the playground, then that's where</p> <p>5 you need to go.</p> <p>6 If it's something that we can reconsider</p> <p>7 next year based on see what circumstances are,</p> <p>8 but I cannot take \$120,000 out of what, what is</p> <p>9 in our contingency, Angela?</p> <p>10 MS. LANE: \$600,000.</p> <p>11 MS. PRICE: I cannot in good conscience</p> <p>12 use 15, 20 percent of our contingency for</p> <p>13 something that we gave a lot of discussion to</p> <p>14 not put in this year's budget because of other</p> <p>15 more pressing financial needs.</p> <p>16 MR. HOLLIS: So as to be clear about the</p> <p>17 funding stream. Normally this playground</p> <p>18 equipment are purchased with Program Open Space</p> <p>19 funds with the ten percent contribution by the</p> <p>20 county.</p> <p>21 But you're correct. It is not in the</p>

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1 budget. You may want to wait until next year.  
 2 I'd also caution you that we already have  
 3 a majority of the existing POS money allocated  
 4 for the gymnasium expansion. Is that correct?  
 5 MR. PEPER: Correct.  
 6 MR. LESHER: In this year's POS?  
 7 MR. HOLLIS: Correct. Up to this current  
 8 fiscal year. Is that right?  
 9 MR. PEPER: Correct.  
 10 MR. LESHER: And that's what would prevent  
 11 us from going to that Program Open Space  
 12 (inaudible) Parks and Playgrounds for this  
 13 particular request?  
 14 MR. HOLLIS: So I'm going to let you  
 15 talk --  
 16 MR. PEPER: So Community Parks and  
 17 Playgrounds is a different grant system that is  
 18 done through the municipalities. So we're not  
 19 eligible for that.  
 20 So the allocation that we received this  
 21 year July 1st has been sent to the State in

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1 part of the annual program. That is not  
 2 necessarily tied down. That could change as  
 3 far as that goes. That can be changed and  
 4 altered.  
 5 At that point, I will say that as the  
 6 Parks & Recreation director, I did not support  
 7 putting the playground back in. This was a  
 8 Park Board decision.  
 9 I understand that the playground is not  
 10 usable during school hours. But 185 days out  
 11 of the year, there is no school. It can be  
 12 used. It can be used at 3:30 and any time  
 13 after that.  
 14 This is also the same location where the  
 15 tennis courts, basketball courts, and the ball  
 16 fields are. So it's kind of a centrally  
 17 located activity for all those.  
 18 The other thing I want to just remind you  
 19 is that playgrounds have a 20-year lifespan,  
 20 and then they need to be replaced.  
 21 In 2028, there are six playgrounds that

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1 are all going to come due for replacement  
 2 because they were all purchased in 2008.  
 3 Normally, the better practice is to stagger  
 4 them out for just this reason. And six  
 5 playgrounds at 120,00, you're looking at a  
 6 \$720,000 playground rebuild for the entire  
 7 county, which is one of the reasons I thought  
 8 from a financial standpoint, if there's a  
 9 playground at the school, this would be an  
 10 opportunity to not necessarily replace that  
 11 one. It could be replaced down the road when  
 12 funds became more available.  
 13 But part of the capital enabling for the  
 14 gymnasium expansion, which is in my opinion a  
 15 greater need within the county, when we did  
 16 this and brought this to county before, the  
 17 thought process was that monies would be  
 18 allocated to that in each years coming up in  
 19 turn with fundraising.  
 20 MR. LESHER: You expect that gymnasium  
 21 funding is going to be a multiyear allocation

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1 from our Program Open Space funds?  
 2 MR. PEPER: Correct, unless there's a  
 3 windfall of donation money, private donation in  
 4 money that comes in, yes.  
 5 Without knowing what our funding source  
 6 will be outside of Program Open Space, it could  
 7 be a multiple, it could be a lot of years  
 8 depending on how that goes.  
 9 MR. CALLAHAN: Would Tilghman be able  
 10 to -- if we thought about doing something and  
 11 really looking at it next year, would we allow  
 12 them to raise money to do their own swing set?  
 13 MR. PEPER: Yes. We have allowed --  
 14 there's caveats to that. But we have allowed  
 15 private. For instance, at Perry Cabin ball  
 16 field, the concession stand is privately owned.  
 17 It's on county property, but we don't have  
 18 any -- when it was broken into years ago, they  
 19 repaired it, they went through all those steps.  
 20 There's another one at Old Trappe Park.  
 21 The Rotary or the Lions Club owns that one. So

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1 the kiosk, for example, again is not a county  
 2 structure.  
 3 So it is, it would be a little -- there  
 4 would be some things to that only because it  
 5 has to be maintained at a certain level because  
 6 it's a playground and there's some liability,  
 7 but there's no reason why a private donation  
 8 couldn't put something in place.  
 9 MS. PRICE: Heck, I think the sign in  
 10 front of the Community Center ended up being a  
 11 partial private donation. Right?  
 12 MR. PEPER: No. Actually that was Program  
 13 Open Space.  
 14 MR. PACK: Long story with that.  
 15 MS. PRICE: There could have been money.  
 16 MR. PACK: Okay. Any further discussion?  
 17 MR. CALLAHAN: I've gotten a lot of calls  
 18 and kickbacks on this. It was used a lot.  
 19 MS. PRICE: It needed to be -- then they  
 20 needed to make those calls during the budget  
 21 and show up for the public hearing to let us

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1 know that. That's their time to speak.  
 2 And we'll see how it goes for a year. If  
 3 they want to raise some private funds or they  
 4 can't figure out how to use the Tilghman one,  
 5 but this is out of cycle. They had their  
 6 opportunity to come to a public hearing to  
 7 speak on every single thing in our budget, and  
 8 they didn't.  
 9 MR. CALLAHAN: I think a lot of them  
 10 didn't realize it was out of order.  
 11 MS. PRICE: But that's part of our budget.  
 12 MR. PACK: Out of warranty.  
 13 MR. CALLAHAN: Twenty years.  
 14 MS. PRICE: Notifications.  
 15 MR. PACK: But this was removed because,  
 16 A, it wasn't being used and it did have some  
 17 issues to it.  
 18 MR. CALLAHAN: It was removed because it  
 19 was out of warranty.  
 20 MR. PEPER: It was removed because it's  
 21 out of date. It's past its 20 years. And it

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1 was breaking apart, which, hence, comes with  
 2 the 20-year.  
 3 Now, we worked on the deck down at  
 4 Tilghman quite a bit last summer. To me, this  
 5 playground gets very little use during the day.  
 6 Now, during the evenings, it may get a lot of  
 7 use. But that's a time where I feel like they  
 8 could be using the school playground.  
 9 MS. PRICE: Right. That's the point. In  
 10 the evenings, go to the elementary school. And  
 11 that's what they need to do.  
 12 They want us to help fund other things in  
 13 Tilghman. Maybe this is something else,  
 14 something that they can switch to another  
 15 location.  
 16 MR. CALLAHAN: So when we were talking at  
 17 the meeting the other night about using the  
 18 school.  
 19 MR. PEPER: Correct.  
 20 MR. CALLAHAN: But that was a safety  
 21 issue.

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1 MR. PEPER: Correct. So you can't use the  
 2 school on a school day until after school is  
 3 out, which would be 3:30. So you've got 185  
 4 days a year where you could use it the whole  
 5 day because those are non-school days.  
 6 MR. CALLAHAN: Not anybody can just go on  
 7 the school ground and use it.  
 8 MR. PEPER: Not during school hours. But  
 9 the other half of the year, anybody can go on  
 10 school property and use it.  
 11 MS. PRICE: And after 3:30 you can.  
 12 MR. PEPER: I mean there's tennis courts  
 13 and basketball courts --  
 14 MR. CALLAHAN: I didn't think that was  
 15 true.  
 16 MR. PEPER: Well, it's going to have to be  
 17 because you used Program Open Space to put  
 18 monies into that facility there.  
 19 MR. CALLAHAN: Okay, okay.  
 20 MR. PACK: Anything further?  
 21 MR. CALLAHAN: So they can use it all this

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<p>1 summer is what you're saying?</p> <p>2 MR. PEPER: Correct.</p> <p>3 MR. PACK: So we have a request in front</p> <p>4 of us to approve within the FY20 budget</p> <p>5 \$120,000 to replace the playground that the</p> <p>6 Parks Board just voted unanimously to take</p> <p>7 down.</p> <p>8 Is there a motion to do so?</p> <p>9 MR. CALLAHAN: So moved.</p> <p>10 MR. PACK: Is there a second?</p> <p>11 Hearing none, the motion fails. Okay.</p> <p>12 Next.</p> <p>13 MR. PEPER: Thank you.</p> <p>14 MR. PACK: Thank you.</p> <p>15 MR. HOLLIS: Roads Department is</p> <p>16 requesting your approval to purchase two</p> <p>17 Freightliner dump trucks with 15-foot bodies</p> <p>18 and plows from Johnson Truck Center in the</p> <p>19 amount of \$206,510 each. It's based off the</p> <p>20 Maryland SHA bid contract. There are adequate</p> <p>21 funds in the Roads Department current budget</p>	<p>1 funds for the Eastern Shore Climate Adaptation</p> <p>2 Partnership. No county funds are required.</p> <p>3 It's an in-kind contribution through staff</p> <p>4 time.</p> <p>5 And a reminder, we are a member of the</p> <p>6 Eastern Shore Climate Adaptation Partnership.</p> <p>7 MR. PACK: Is there a motion?</p> <p>8 MR. LESHER: So moved.</p> <p>9 MR. PACK: Moved by Mr. Leshner.</p> <p>10 MR. CALLAHAN: Second.</p> <p>11 MR. PACK: Seconded by Mr. Callahan. Any</p> <p>12 further discussion?</p> <p>13 Hearing none, Madam Secretary, please call</p> <p>14 your roll.</p> <p>15 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.</p> <p>16 MR. PACK: Aye.</p> <p>17 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.</p> <p>18 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.</p> <p>19 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.</p> <p>20 MS. PRICE: Aye.</p> <p>21 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.</p>
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<p>1 for that purchase.</p> <p>2 MR. PACK: Is there a motion to purchase</p> <p>3 of the two dump trucks?</p> <p>4 MR. CALLAHAN: So moved.</p> <p>5 MR. LESHER: Second.</p> <p>6 MR. PACK: Moved by Mr. Callahan, seconded</p> <p>7 by Mr. Leshner. Any further discussion?</p> <p>8 Hearing none, Madam Secretary, please call</p> <p>9 your roll.</p> <p>10 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.</p> <p>11 MR. PACK: Aye.</p> <p>12 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.</p> <p>13 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.</p> <p>14 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.</p> <p>15 MS. PRICE: Aye.</p> <p>16 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.</p> <p>17 MR. LESHER: Aye.</p> <p>18 MR. HOLLIS: Eastern Shore Land</p> <p>19 Conservancy is requesting a letter of support</p> <p>20 to the Maryland Agricultural Education Rural</p> <p>21 Development Assistance Fund, MAERDAF, for grant</p>	<p>1 MR. LESHER: Aye.</p> <p>2 MR. HOLLIS: You have a letter in your</p> <p>3 packet from some residents of Tilghman</p> <p>4 regarding the request for a letter of support</p> <p>5 about a mural being placed on the Knapps</p> <p>6 Narrows Draw Bridge to enhance tourism and</p> <p>7 visitor experience on the island.</p> <p>8 MR. LESHER: I presume the State Highway</p> <p>9 Administration is the final decider on this</p> <p>10 since it's State Highway's property?</p> <p>11 MR. HOLLIS: So the letter writer</p> <p>12 represents that SHA is supportive of the</p> <p>13 project. I have not confirmed that myself.</p> <p>14 MR. LESHER: I'll move for the letter.</p> <p>15 MR. CALLAHAN: Second it.</p> <p>16 MR. PACK: Any further discussion?</p> <p>17 Hearing none, Madam Secretary, please call</p> <p>18 your roll.</p> <p>19 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.</p> <p>20 MR. PACK: Aye.</p> <p>21 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.</p>



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1 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.  
 2 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.  
 3 MS. PRICE: Aye.  
 4 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.  
 5 MR. LESHER: Aye.  
 6 MR. HOLLIS: Council, we have several  
 7 board appointments. First is the Ethics  
 8 Commission. Requesting the appointment of  
 9 James Bell to that body.  
 10 MR. PACK: Is there a motion?  
 11 MR. LESHER: So moved.  
 12 MR. PACK: Moved by Mr. Leshner.  
 13 MR. CALLAHAN: Second.  
 14 MR. PACK: Seconded by Mr. Callahan. Any  
 15 further discussion for James Bell on the Ethics  
 16 board?  
 17 Hearing none, Madam Secretary, please call  
 18 your roll.  
 19 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.  
 20 MR. PACK: Aye.  
 21 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.

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1 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.  
 2 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.  
 3 MS. PRICE: Aye.  
 4 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.  
 5 MR. LESHER: Aye.  
 6 MR. HOLLIS: Parks & Recreation Advisory  
 7 Board. Requesting the reappointment of Jeff  
 8 Parks to represent the Town of Easton.  
 9 MR. CALLAHAN: So moved.  
 10 MR. PACK: Moved by Mr. Callahan.  
 11 MS. PRICE: Second.  
 12 MR. PACK: Seconded by Ms. Price. Any  
 13 further discussion on Mr. Parks to the Parks  
 14 Board?  
 15 MR. CALLAHAN: I think Jeff has been on  
 16 there for about 20, 25 years, and he's done an  
 17 excellent job.  
 18 MR. PACK: Good. And he's representing  
 19 the Town of Easton on the board. Okay. We  
 20 have a motion and second.  
 21 Madam Secretary, please call your roll of

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1 Mr. Parks.  
 2 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.  
 3 MR. PACK: Aye.  
 4 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.  
 5 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.  
 6 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.  
 7 MS. PRICE: Aye.  
 8 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.  
 9 MR. LESHER: Aye.  
 10 MR. HOLLIS: Social Services Board of  
 11 Directors. Requesting the reappointment of  
 12 Mary Gregorio and Rabbi Peter Hyman and  
 13 requesting the appointment of Brenda Wooden,  
 14 Rosalee Potter, Sarah Cloxton, and Heather  
 15 Plutschak.  
 16 MR. PACK: Is there a motion to the DSS  
 17 Board?  
 18 MR. CALLAHAN: So moved.  
 19 MR. PACK: Moved by Mr. Callahan.  
 20 MS. PRICE: Second.  
 21 MR. PACK: Seconded by Ms. Price. Any

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1 further discussion?  
 2 Hearing none, Madam Secretary, please call  
 3 the roll on these appointments.  
 4 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.  
 5 MR. PACK: Aye.  
 6 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.  
 7 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.  
 8 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.  
 9 MS. PRICE: Aye.  
 10 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.  
 11 MR. LESHER: Aye.  
 12 MR. HOLLIS: And then Council, just wanted  
 13 to publicly thank the Talbot County Free  
 14 Library for staying open this weekend to serve  
 15 as a neighborhood cooling center for our  
 16 community. Thank you.  
 17 MR. PACK: Okay. Council comments.  
 18 Mr. Leshner.  
 19 MR. LESHER: Yes. First, just a quick  
 20 note of congratulations. We spoke earlier  
 21 about this. We welcomed him here. But the

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1 final act was done this past weekend to Harold  
 2 Baines in his induction into the Baseball Hall  
 3 of Fame. And I wanted to particularly express  
 4 appreciation for his remarks in which he  
 5 encouraged all of us to give back to our  
 6 community.

7 And this past week we lost a member of our  
 8 community, Joe Hicky, who relied on bicycle  
 9 transportation to get to and from work and  
 10 around the community. It occurred at a  
 11 somewhat confusing intersection on the north  
 12 side of Easton.

13 We need to work with the State Highway  
 14 Administration at this location and others to  
 15 improve pedestrian and bicycle safety. We  
 16 can't be losing valued members of our community  
 17 in this way.

18 Joe was a really valued member of this  
 19 community, a man of exactly my age. He was  
 20 just a few months younger with a big and  
 21 generous heart. We'll miss Joe Hickey.

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1 MR. PACK: Thank you. Ms. Price.  
 2 MS. PRICE: I'll echo the comments about  
 3 Harold Baines. We had him in here a few months  
 4 ago. He's such a wonderful, humble man. And  
 5 to watch his speech was very neat. And looking  
 6 forward to seeing him again in August at the  
 7 National Night Out.

8 Again, I want to express condolences on  
 9 the loss of Oxford Chief John Fox. The Foxes  
 10 lived three doors down from me when we lived in  
 11 Oaklands when I was a little girl. And my  
 12 brother and John were best friends, and  
 13 Gretchen and I were best friends. And we got  
 14 into all kinds of trouble together.

15 And even though you might not see somebody  
 16 very often or childhood friendship, I got to  
 17 see John through the fire department events,  
 18 but you never forget people like that and the  
 19 ones that you grow up with.

20 And that's just such a tragic loss after  
 21 such a short, short battle with cancer. And my

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1 heart goes out to everybody who loved him and  
 2 his family.

3 MR. PACK: And Mr. Callahan.  
 4 MR. CALLAHAN: I want to echo the same  
 5 thing. Congratulations to Harold. That is  
 6 just a phenomenal accomplishment for Talbot  
 7 County, himself, St. Michael's. Something for  
 8 all of us to be proud of.

9 And you know, I just -- I know he wished  
 10 his father was here, and I wish his father was  
 11 here to see this. But he's up there looking  
 12 down on him and congratulating him. That's for  
 13 sure.

14 And as far as Joe Hickey, he was special to  
 15 me. He was special to a lot of people. When  
 16 we go into Acme, two of his family members work  
 17 for me, his brother and his niece. And it's  
 18 really affected the employees that I have and  
 19 trying to accommodate their loss, and it's very  
 20 tragic for somebody like that.

21 He was going out to Channel Marker. He's

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1 been doing Channel Marker for 20, 25 years.  
 2 And unfortunately, an accident happened. And I  
 3 think that is a huge loss to Talbot County and  
 4 their family.

5 His services, if anybody would like to  
 6 give their condolences, is tomorrow evening in  
 7 Easton here at the funeral home from five to  
 8 seven. The funeral is 11 o'clock in Oxford.

9 But anything that I feel that the family  
 10 needs from Council on this tragic loss, we're  
 11 there for you.

12 The same thing with John Fox. He's just  
 13 like us. He's a great guy, great business guy.  
 14 Way, way too young to leave us. I liked John a  
 15 lot. He was fun. What a character. I think  
 16 he was worse than me, to tell you the truth.  
 17 But I'm really going to miss him a lot. And  
 18 he, once again, was a huge pillar of the  
 19 community.

20 And we've lost too many pillars of the  
 21 community, and it's sad. But they're in our

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1 hearts. They're always going to be there.  
 2 Every time I go in that parking lot at the  
 3 Acme, I can tell you I'm going to be thinking  
 4 of Joe. That's for sure. Because if there was  
 5 one time, there was 1,000 times when I pulled  
 6 up, he'd come running to my truck because he  
 7 knew his brother worked for me and wanted to  
 8 know how his brother was. It's just stuff like  
 9 that that really sets a precedent on how kind  
 10 that man was. But we're all going to miss him.  
 11 MR. PACK: Yes. Well, I'll pick up right  
 12 there. I did not have a personal relationship  
 13 with Mr. Hickey. My interactions with him were  
 14 in between the hours of Acme. Marie and I  
 15 would be there shopping and he would see me  
 16 coming or sometimes I would be going the  
 17 opposite direction and I would hear somebody  
 18 yelling Mr. Pack, Mr. Pack. And I knew right  
 19 off who it was.  
 20 And I would spin around. And there was  
 21 Joe, hat pulled down over his ears and his ears

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1 sticking out on the side of it. And he would  
 2 go into some concern he had or some questions.  
 3 Sometimes it wasn't even relevant to Talbot  
 4 County, but he just wanted to express his  
 5 concern about what was happening across the  
 6 nation or across the state. And always very  
 7 light hearted, very gentle soul.  
 8 So I happened to be in Acme when the news  
 9 was delivered to the staff that a member of  
 10 their staff had been involved in this fatal  
 11 crash. Did not know at the time that it was  
 12 Joe. And I was standing at the register when I  
 13 was approached by someone and they told me that  
 14 an employee of Acme had been involved in the  
 15 fatal crash. Did not know it was Joe until the  
 16 next day or days later when I looked in the  
 17 paper and saw his picture. And I was like oh,  
 18 my God, this was the guy that always approached  
 19 me in the store and always had something  
 20 pleasant to say, never a bad meeting with him.  
 21 Again, he was always very light hearted

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1 with his conversation. And so he will be  
 2 missed, and our hearts and thoughts and prayers  
 3 go out to the family at this time.  
 4 Our EMS Department has been very busy this  
 5 year, very busy. Mr. Stamp was here just  
 6 earlier this evening with some of the other  
 7 heroes in the effort down in Oxford.  
 8 So again, be careful out there on the  
 9 roadways. We are a very biking friendly  
 10 community, but we have to watch ourselves out  
 11 in traffic and make sure that we just watch out  
 12 for each other.  
 13 So again, my hearts and prayers go out to  
 14 them as well.  
 15 I don't think I have anything further to  
 16 announce. A lot of these things are taking  
 17 place after our next meeting, so I won't go  
 18 into that.  
 19 With Harold, I mean it couldn't happen to  
 20 a better guy. One of the things about his  
 21 induction being the first ballot Hall of Famer

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1 is that he's a DH, designated hitter. And it's  
 2 hard for those guys to get into the Hall  
 3 because they don't really play the field. And  
 4 most of his career he was a -- I think he may  
 5 have played the field early on in his career.  
 6 Yeah, third base. I think he did. But he went  
 7 in for his prowess at the plate. And so that's  
 8 quite a task to go in not being a real  
 9 defensive or a pitcher, but to go in because  
 10 you're a slugger is really an accomplishment.  
 11 So hats off to him. We will be seeing him down  
 12 in St. Michael's on August the 6th for that  
 13 second annual National Night Out. So we'll  
 14 throw a little plug out for that event, for the  
 15 community to come down and enjoy some of the  
 16 fair and the pool will be open and go about to  
 17 see what is happening down in St. Michael's for  
 18 the National Night Out.  
 19 They will be holding it here in Easton as  
 20 well. I don't want to take away from their  
 21 event. But if you want to do both, do both and

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1 enjoy the county as a whole.  
 2 MS. PRICE: Have two hot dogs.  
 3 MR. PACK: Have two hot dogs if you so  
 4 choose and drink plenty of water always. It  
 5 always seems like it's the hottest day of the  
 6 year when we have National Night Out.  
 7 MS. PRICE: No. Tawes is the hottest.  
 8 MR. PACK: Then August the 6th must be  
 9 right behind it because I'll tell you, I lost  
 10 quite a few pounds, not that I can't stand to  
 11 lose any. But sitting out there sweating  
 12 setting up tables and chairs.  
 13 Anyway, County Council's next legislative  
 14 meeting will be held on Tuesday,  
 15 August the 13th. The meeting will begin at  
 16 six p.m. The Council will be convening in open  
 17 session at 4:30 p.m. and then immediately  
 18 adjourning into closed session to discuss real  
 19 estate, legal matters, personnel matters as  
 20 listed on the statement for closing that  
 21 meeting.


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1 On July the 30th at four p.m., the Council  
 2 will be holding a work session with Mr. Ray  
 3 Clarke, our county engineer, to discuss  
 4 feasibility analysis of the Ferry Point area.  
 5 The work session will be held here in the  
 6 Bradley Meeting Room.  
 7 At 4:30 p.m. that evening, the County  
 8 Council will be holding a joint dinner meeting  
 9 with the Board of Education. That meeting will  
 10 take place across the street at the Talbot  
 11 County Free Public Library in the meeting room.  
 12 So please, if you want to hear about the  
 13 Ferry Point project, come out at four p.m. on  
 14 the 30th to hear about that.  
 15 On July 31st, the Council will be  
 16 convening in open session at four p.m. and then  
 17 immediately adjourning into closed session to  
 18 discuss real estate, legal, and personnel  
 19 matters, as listed on the statement for closing  
 20 that meeting.  
 21 Therefore, if there's nothing further, is

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1 there a motion to adjourn this meeting?  
 2 MS. PRICE: So moved.  
 3 MR. PACK: By Ms. Price.  
 4 MR. CALLAHAN: Second.  
 5 MR. PACK: By Mr. Callahan.  
 6 Madam Secretary.  
 7 SECRETARY: Mr. Pack.  
 8 MR. PACK: Aye.  
 9 SECRETARY: Mr. Callahan.  
 10 MR. CALLAHAN: Aye.  
 11 SECRETARY: Ms. Price.  
 12 MS. PRICE: Aye.  
 13 SECRETARY: Mr. Leshner.  
 14 MR. LESHNER: Aye.  
 15 MR. PACK: We are adjourned. Thank you.  
 16 (Meeting concluded at: 7:55 p.m.)  
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1 STATE OF MARYLAND  
 2 I, Diane Houlihan, a Notary Public in and  
 3 for the State of Maryland, County of Anne Arundel,  
 4 do hereby certify that the within named, Talbot  
 5 County Council Audio, personally appeared before me  
 6 at the time and place herein set according to law,  
 7 was interrogated by counsel.  
 8  
 9 I further certify that the examination was  
 10 recorded stenographically by me and then transcribed  
 11 from my stenographic notes to the within printed  
 12 matter by means of computer-assisted transcription  
 13 in a true and accurate manner.  
 14  
 15 I further certify that the stipulations  
 16 contained herein were entered into by counsel in my  
 17 presence.  
 18  
 19 I further certify that I am not of counsel  
 20 to any of the parties, not an employee of counsel,  
 21 nor related to any of the parties, nor in any way  
 interested in the outcome of this action.  
 AS WITNESS my hand Notarial Seal this 30th  
 day of July, 2019, at Easton, MD.  
  
 Diane Houlihan  
 Notary Public  
 My commission expires September 16, 2021

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