



TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND

County Council

MINUTES

October 27, 2020

Present – President Corey W. Pack, Vice President Chuck F. Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, County Manager R. Andrew Hollis and Acting County Attorney Anthony Kupersmith.

- I. Agenda – Mr. Pack requested and received Council’s unanimous support for approval of the Agenda of Tuesday, October 27, 2020.
- II. Minutes – Mr. Pack requested and received Council’s unanimous consent for approval of the Minutes of Tuesday, August 25, 2020 and Tuesday, September 8, 2020.
- III. Disbursements – Mr. Pack requested and received Council’s unanimous consent for approval of the Disbursements of Tuesday, October 20, 2020 and Tuesday, October 27, 2020.
- IV. Proclamation: Pro Bono Month – October 2020 – Prior to presentation of the proclamation, Sandy Brown, Executive Director, Mid-Shore Pro Bono, Inc., briefed the Council on the work of her organization, a non-profit organization based in Easton which provides various civil legal services to the neediest residents in Talbot County at no cost to the individual. Ms. Brown stated that funding from Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act program has also been utilized to help offset the cost of legal assistance to individuals. The Clerk read a proclamation into the record in recognition of October as Pro Bono Month which, through its volunteer attorneys, strives to provide equal access to the civil justice system for those who cannot afford representation on their own in a compassionate, professional manner. Council members expressed their appreciation to Mid-Shore Pro Bono for their service to the community. Upon motion by Mr. Leshner, seconded by Mr. Callahan, the Council approved the Proclamation by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

Mr. Pack presented the proclamation to Sandy Brown who accepted on behalf of her organization.

- V. Update to Talbot County Board of Health – Fredia Wadley, M.D., Talbot County Health Officer – Dr. Wadley utilized a PowerPoint presentation to update the Council on the status of COVID-19 cases and deaths in Talbot County, the state of Maryland, the United States and the world, stating that at the present time, the Eastern Shore counties have the highest case rates in the state. She provided information on planning in progress for anticipated peaks in cases as the holiday season and winter approaches, and preparations being made by schools, hospitals and testing facilities to keep pace with the anticipated number of new cases, illnesses and hospitalizations. She outlined the various tests available, their turnaround times for results, location of testing sites in Talbot County, the timeframe for rollout of a vaccine and the challenges of implementation, and contract tracing. She stated that a portion of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding allocated to the Talbot County Health Department is being used for testing. Dr. Wadley briefed the Council on current COVID-19

hospitalizations and challenges should a surge occur, including staffing of medical personnel, safety protocols for maintaining in-classroom instruction in schools, and Talbot County Health Department flu clinics. Dr. Wadley will continue to update the Board of Health on a regular or as-needed basis.

- VI. Presentation of FY21 Senior Care Plan – Kate Stinton, RN, LCSW, Community Health Nurse Supervisor, Talbot County Health Department; Fredia Wadley, M.D., Talbot County Health Officer – Ms. Stinton provided a brief history of the Senior Care Program which began in 1982 as a pilot program in Talbot County with funding from the State of Maryland Department of Aging through Upper Shore Aging. She stated that the program provides community based in-home support and case management services to Talbot County’s neediest senior citizens aged 65 and older who are at risk of having to otherwise go into nursing homes, and who do not qualify for a large number of other services. She stated that since 2014 when funding from the State was reduced from \$243,000 to \$100,000, Talbot County has contributed an additional \$50,000 each fiscal year. She stated that funding allocated by the Department of Aging for FY21 is at \$115,000, which along with the County’s contribution and smaller donations received from churches and individuals allows the program to serve 213 Talbot County citizens. Services provided include personal emergency response systems, personal care services, homemaker services, food and nutritional supplements, and the purchase of medications; all clients also receive case management and nurse management services. Ms. Stinton expressed her appreciation to the Council and to the various agencies in Talbot which partner with the Talbot County Health Department to provide the much-needed services. The Senior Care Program is a cooperative effort between the Maryland Department of Aging, the Talbot County Department of Social Services and the Talbot County Health Department. Ms. Stinton then requested Council approval to forward the FY2021 Senior Care Plan to the State for approval. Upon motion by Mr. Callahan, seconded by Mr. Divilio, the Council approved the Senior Care Program as presented by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- VII. Introduction of Numbered Resolution:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF A PORTION OF GLENWOOD AVENUE IN “AS IS” CONDITION TO THE TOWN OF EASTON BY QUITCLAIM DEED FOR NO MONETARY CONSIDERATION was read into the record by the Clerk and brought forward for introduction. Prior to introduction, Acting County Attorney, Anthony Kupersmith, stated that the legislation being presented for introduction is at the request of the Town of Easton. He stated that the property in question lies between the Easton Bypass (MD Rt. 322) and the Tred Avon River which is in the vicinity of a new footbridge from the Tred Avon River to Easton Village. Mr. Kupersmith stated that the portion of the road to be conveyed to the Town will be in an “as is” condition, no improvements will be made by the County before the roadway is conveyed to the Town.

Mr. Hollis requested Council’s consideration to move the Council’s second legislative day in November from Tuesday, November 24, 2020 to Tuesday, November 17, 2020, and to declare Tuesday, November 17th as a Special Legislative Day. All Council members concurred with the change in the date for the 2nd legislative day for the month of November from November 24th to November 17th and to have November 17th as a Special Legislative Day.

The resolution was introduced by Mr. Callahan, Mr. Divilio, Mr. Leshner, Mr. Pack, and Ms. Price as Resolution No. 297. A public hearing was scheduled for Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the

Bradley Meeting Room, South Wing, Talbot County Courthouse, 11 North Washington St., Easton, Maryland 21601.

VIII. Public Hearings:

Resolution No. 293, A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE TALBOT COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWER PLAN TO RECLASSIFY AND REMAP RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY LOCATED ON FERRY BRIDGE ROAD, EASTON, MARYLAND 21601, DESCRIBED AS TAX MAP 24 PARCELS 69, 70 AND 191 FROM UNPROGRAMMED TO "S-1" IMMEDIATE PRIORITY STATUS, and

Resolution No. 294, A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE TALBOT COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWER PLAN TO APPROVE A CAPITAL PROJECT FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH TALBOT COUNTY RESOLUTION 235, and

Resolution No. 295, A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE TALBOT COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWER PLAN RESOLUTION 204, A RESOLUTION TO ADD A CAPITAL PROJECT TO UPGRADE THE TALBOT COUNTY BIO-SOLIDS FACILITY AT 9786 KLONDIKE ROAD, TAX MAP 18, PARCEL 57, TO ADD RECEIVING AND TREATMENT CAPABILITY FOR BROWN GREASE, EQUIPPED WITH ODOR CONTROL, PROPOSED FOR FY2014 WITH FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,000,000, THROUGH RURAL UTILITY SERVICE PROGRAM, USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT (*Bio-Solids Facility, Klondike Road, Easton, Maryland*) were read into the record by the Clerk and brought forward for public hearings. Prior to the public hearings, County Engineer, Ray Clarke, stated that the Public Works Advisory Board and the Planning Commission are scheduled to review Resolution No. 294 at their respective meetings on Wednesday, November 4, 2020 and requested Council's consideration to keep the public hearing on Resolution No. 294 open until the Council meeting of Tuesday, November 10, 2020. The public was provided an opportunity to comment on the resolutions. Resolution Nos. 293, 294, and 295 are eligible for vote on Tuesday, November 10, 2020.

Bill No. 1464, A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 172 OF THE TALBOT COUNTY CODE (TAXATION) TO AUTHORIZE THE CREATION OF SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS IN TALBOT COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSTALLING, MAINTAINING, AND OPERATING STREET LIGHTING ALONG COUNTY ROADS AND WHEN SUCH IMPROVEMENTS ARE APPROVED BY THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION, ALONG STATE HIGHWAYS WITHIN TALBOT COUNTY was read into the record, brought forward for public hearing, and the public was provided an opportunity to comment on the legislation. Council members then commented on the proposed legislation. Upon motion by Mr. Callahan, seconded by Mr. Leshner, Bill No. 1464 was brought to third reader. Upon motion by Ms. Price and unanimous consent of the Council, a full reading of the legislation was waived. The Council approved Bill No. 1464 by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

Bill No. 1464 will become effective as provided for in the legislation.

Mr. Hollis stated that next steps include a community meeting on the matter and staff's development of options for boundaries of the special taxing district for Council's review.

IX. Council Discussion of Request from NAACP Talbot County Branch for Work Session with the County Council and Other Community Leaders – The Clerk read a letter into the record from Richard Potter, President, NAACP, Talbot County Branch who, on behalf of the NAACP and several other community leaders, requested to meet with the Council to *“discuss next steps as well as how to appropriately move forward that embraces the spirit of inclusion and equity as it relates to the matter of the Confederate monument known as the Talbot Boys that sits on the Circuit Court House lawn.”* The letter requested to meet with the full Council on Tuesday, October 20, 2020.....to *“have authentic, transparent dialogue on how we can work together as one community to move forward in an effort in achieving a more inclusive, equitable, and welcoming county that we all desire to see.”* Mr. Pack stated that following receipt of the letter, the Council had received a list of the individuals referenced in the letter: Mr. Richard Potter, President, Talbot County Chapter NAACP; Mr. Walter Black, First Vice President, Talbot County Chapter NAACP; Ms. Megan Cook, President, Easton Town Council; Mr. Jim Richardson, Social Action Chair, Unitarian Universalist Church, and Ms. Heena Paracha, Program of Race. Mr. Pack invited Council members to comment on the request for a meeting and asked for a vote on the request to meet with the individuals named. He stated that, in his opinion, the citizens named would like to not only discuss community feelings about the Talbot Boys statue, but to also discuss other issues facing Talbot County and the nation. Council discussion ensued and several Council members stated that they have been meeting, and will continue to meet, with various individuals in the community. A majority of the Council expressed an opinion that they did not want to meet with the entire group at the present time; however, no formal vote was taken.

X. Council Discussion of Ballot Questions B, C. and D:

- **Question B – Charter Amendment - Clarifying that Constant Yield Applies**

Section 614 of the Talbot County Charter establishes a cap on the amount of revenue the County can derive from taxes levied on real estate. In order to apply the cap, the County must identify which properties are to be included in the calculation. Section 614 currently specifies the properties as those “existing on the County real property tax rolls at the commencement of the County fiscal year.” However, this is not an accurate description of the properties the County actually uses. The County’s source for identifying properties is the Constant Yield Tax Rate Certification prepared by the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation. The Charter Amendment clarifies that to identify properties for revenue cap purposes, the County will use the Constant Yield Tax Rate Certification prepared by the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation.

- **Question C - Charter Amendment - Eliminating Consumer Price Index-Urban**

Section 614 of the Talbot County Charter establishes a cap on the amount of revenue the County can derive from taxes levied on real estate. The cap on revenue is two percent (2%) compared to the previous year, or Consumer Price Index-Urban (CPI-U), whichever is less. CPI-U, however, is not an accurate measure because it represents the increase in the cost of a basket of consumer goods in urban areas, not rural areas, like Talbot County. The Charter Amendment eliminates the reference to CPI-U in Section 614 while leaving the 2% cap on revenue in place.

- **Question D - Charter Amendment - Allowing Temporary Increase of One Cent (1¢) per One Hundred Dollars of Assessed Value**

Section 614 of the Talbot County Charter establishes a cap on the amount of revenue the County can derive from taxes levied on real estate. The cap on revenue is two percent (2%) compared to the previous year, or Consumer Price Index-Urban (CPI-U), whichever is less. Talbot County’s revenue cap is one

of the most restrictive in the State of Maryland, making it extremely difficult for the County to raise sufficient revenue to fund certain initiatives, including key public safety projects, such as a new facility for the Talbot County Sheriff; additional equipment and personnel for the Talbot County Department of Emergency Services; and, a new facility to house the Talbot County Health Department. The County Council is, therefore, asking the voters to give the Council authority to increase revenues above the revenue cap, but only temporarily and with a limit of up to one cent (1¢) per one hundred dollars of assessed value. The Charter Amendment would authorize the County Council to raise revenues above the cap by up to one cent (1¢) per one hundred dollars of assessed value for five years only.

Clay Stamp, Director, Talbot County Emergency Services/Assistant County Manager, outlined the need for additional funding for the Department of Emergency Services, stating that it's very difficult to attract Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians to Talbot County due to a very competitive market in several areas. He stated that in order to address response times in the northern end of the county, a "surge unit" has been temporarily added; however, he emphasized that without additional funding, the establishment of an additional crew and station in the northern part of the county, which would also benefit the volunteer fire companies, would be very difficult. Angela Lane, Talbot County Finance Director stated that Questions B, C, and D, if approved by the voters, will only modify the existing tax cap; it will not eliminate it. She stated that Question B is clarifying language only, it will have no financial impact on county citizens if it passes. She stated that Question C will have a minor financial impact on citizens; and Question D, if approved by the voters, would allow for a temporary increase (5 years) of one cent (\$.01) per year above what would be allowed under the current cap. Ms. Lane gave the example of a citizen having a property assessed at \$300,000 who would see an impact of \$30 per year, or \$150 over five years. She concluded her comments by stating that by approving the ballot questions, citizens would be making an investment in Talbot County public safety. Susan Delean-Botkin, Talbot County Board of Education representative on the Property Tax Referendum Committee, stated that there has been, in her opinion, a tremendous positive response from the community to the ballot questions as information has been presented. Joe Gamble, Talbot County Sheriff, expressed his appreciation to the current Council and the previous Council for their support and commitment to attracting and retaining good employees and urged citizens to make an educated decision on an investment in public safety for the Talbot County community, because, in his opinion, it will be even more difficult in six months or a year than it is at present to attract police officers. Sheriff Gamble concluded his comments by inviting members of the public to call his office with any questions they might have on the ballot questions. Council discussion and comment ensued. Mr. Pack stated that he was also in support of Question A – Charter Amendment – Waiver of Residency Requirement for Certain County Employees (County Attorney, County Planning Officer and County Engineer) in order to provide the current Council and future Councils with the flexibility to select individuals appropriate for the job regardless of their place of residence. Council discussion again ensued with regard to Questions A, B, C, and D.

- XI. Update on County Repurposing Center – Warren Edwards, Talbot County Roads Superintendent, briefed the Council on the status of the work currently being done at the Repurposing Center, stating that demolition of the second old Easton Elementary School is now complete and approximately 10 to 12 tons of concrete have been received for processing. Mr. Edwards stated that he will go before the Planning Commission on November 4, 2020 regarding zoning and the Board of Appeals on November 16, 2020 regarding a Special Exception. Council discussion ensued with Mr. Edwards regarding other outstanding matters related to the Repurposing Center. He requested Council's approval to extend the lease on the equipment used at the Repurposing Center from November 6, 2020 through December 1, 2020, stating that the Lessor had agreed to do so at no charge and that 100% of the rental costs to date will go toward purchase of the equipment. Upon motion by Mr. Divilio, seconded by Mr. Leshner, the Council approved extending the equipment lease for the timeframe provided by Mr. Edwards by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

XII. County Manager’s Report:

- A. Request from Talbot Historical Society - Requested Council approval for a letter in support of Talbot Historical Society’s grant application to Eastern Shore Heritage, Inc. Stories of the Chesapeake; no County funding is required. Upon motion by Mr. Leshner, seconded by Mr. Callahan, the Council approved forwarding a letter of support by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- B. Bid No. 20-03, REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES - EXTENSION OF SEWER TO THE VILLAGES OF BOZMAN AND NEAVITT FROM THE REGION II (ST. MICHAELS) WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, AS OUTLINED IN RESOLUTION NO. 250 - TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND - Requested Council approval of the County Engineer’s recommendation to award Amendment No. 1 to Bid No. 20-03 to Century Engineering in the sum of \$16,250 for preparation of the Engineering Report; said report is required by the USDA for their loan funding. Upon motion by Mr. Callahan, seconded by Mr. Leshner, the Council approved the award by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- C. Bid No. 20-03, REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES - EXTENSION OF SEWER TO THE VILLAGES OF BOZMAN AND NEAVITT FROM THE REGION II (ST. MICHAELS) WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, AS OUTLINED IN RESOLUTION NO. 250 - TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND – Requested Council approval of the County Engineer’s recommendation to award Amendment No. 2 to Bid No. 20-03 to Century Engineering in the sum of \$15,200.00 for design of a new website specific to the Bozman-Neavitt sewer extension project in order to keep the citizens better informed of the progress of the project. Upon motion by Mr. Leshner, seconded by Mr. Callahan, the Council approved the award by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- D. Request from Department of Emergency Services – Requested Council approval to have the Department of Emergency Services accept a 75/25 matching \$50,000 hazard mitigation grant from the Maryland Emergency Management Agency to update Talbot County’s Hazard Mitigation Plan; funding from the grant will be in the sum of \$37,500; the remaining \$12,500 will be through in-kind services by the County. Council discussion ensued with Clay Stamp, Director, Emergency Services/Assistant County Manager. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Callahan, the Council approved accepting the grant by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- E. Talbot County Planning and Zoning Commission – Requested Council approval for the reappointment of Phillip “Chip” Councell, Jr. to a five-year term on the Talbot County Planning and Zoning Commission; said term will expire on December 2, 2025. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Callahan, the Council approved the reappointment by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- F. Talbot County Ethics Commission – Requested Council approval for the appointment of Barbara Heatly to a three-year term on the Talbot County Ethics Commission; said term will expire July 1, 2023. Upon motion by Mr. Callahan, seconded by Mr. Divilio, the Council approved the appointment by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- G. Talbot County Local Emergency Planning Committee – Requested Council’s approval to forward the name of Norm Fegel (Councilman, Town of Trappe) to the Governor for consideration of appointment to a three-year term on the Talbot County Local Emergency Planning Committee; if appointed, said term will expire on August 1, 2023. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Callahan, the Council approved forwarding the name to the Governor for consideration by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- H. Request to Change Council Meeting Date – Requested Council consideration to move the Tuesday, November 24, 2020 Council meeting to Tuesday, November 17, 2020 and to declare Tuesday, November 17th as a Special Legislative Day. Upon motion by Mr. Divilio, seconded by Ms. Price, the Council approved November 17, 2020 as the second meeting day in November and a Special Legislative Day by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- I. County Offices Closed – Mr. Hollis stated that County offices will be closed on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 in recognition of Election Day.
- J. Annual Meeting with the Local Delegation – Mr. Hollis stated that the Council’s annual meeting with the Local Delegation had been rescheduled for Monday, November 9, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in the Wye Oak Room, Talbot County Community Center, 10028 Ocean Gateway, Easton, Maryland.

XIII. Public Comments: There were no comments from members of the public.

XIV. Council Comments:

Mr. Divilio – Mr. Divilio stated that his children had just completed the youth soccer league program at the YMCA and expressed his appreciation to the YMCA for making it a safe event. He stated that masks were required to be worn, the number of kids on the field and parents on the sidelines was limited, but it gave the kids an outlet to get out, exercise, and socialize. He stated that youth and recreational sports have always been an important part of his life and that, as he looked at the children playing and parents watching, it was, in his opinion, the most diversified group of individuals he had seen in Talbot County at a recreational sporting event. He stated that it was nice to see the kids getting along, the parents getting along, and everyone being safe. He expressed his appreciation to the YMCA for, in his opinion, the tremendous job they do to bring the community together.

Mr. Leshner – Mr. Leshner urged everyone to take responsibility and get out and vote.

Ms. Price - Ms. Price concurred with Mr. Leshner’s comments to get out and vote.

Mr. Callahan - Mr. Callahan concurred with Mr. Leshner’s and Ms. Price’s comments to get out and vote.

Mr. Pack – No comments.

XV. The Council will reconvene on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. in Open Session and immediately adjourn into Closed Session for discussion of legal, personnel and real estate matters as listed on the statement for closing the meeting, and for the regularly scheduled meeting at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

The transcript of the October 27, 2020 County Council meeting is available for review in the Office of the Talbot County Manager during regular office hours.

XVI. Summary of Closed Session held on October 27, 2020:

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

Time of closed session: 4:35 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.
 Place of closed session: Talbot County Free Library Meeting Room, 100 West Dover St. Easton
 Purpose of the closed session: To consider various matters as set forth in the statement for closing the meeting

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

Names of members voting aye: Callahan, Divilio, Leshner, Pack, Price
 Members opposed: None
 Abstaining: None
 Absent: Callahan

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

Topic description	Statutory authority	Persons present	Action taken
Discuss personnel matter in Planning and Zoning	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Laura Price, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Andy Hollis, Anthony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris	Job offer will be extended to candidate
Discuss appointments to various County boards and committees	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Laura Price, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Andy Hollis, Anthony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris	No action
For legal advice on potential litigation involving incident at food pantry distribution	GP § 3-305 (b) (7) and (8)	Corey Pack, Laura Price, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Andy Hollis, Anthony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Kim Ferullo	No action

Discuss personnel matter in Circuit Court	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Laura Price, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Andy Hollis, Anthony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Kim Ferullo, Judge Kehoe	Council concurred with filling positions as proposed
For legal advice regarding Maryland Department of Aging – Capital Grant for St. Michaels Senior Center	GP § 3-305 (b) (7)	Corey Pack, Laura Price, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Andy Hollis, Anthony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Kim Ferullo	No action
For legal advice regarding scheduling	GP § 3-305 (b) (7) and (8)	Corey Pack, Laura Price, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Andy Hollis, Anthony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris	No action

XVII. Annual Consolidated Transportation Meeting – The Council held a virtual meeting with representatives of the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) and State Highway Administration (SHA) on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. Members of the local delegation were also in attendance. Each of the MDOT and SHA representatives provided statistical information related to their respective agencies and an update on projects throughout the state. The representatives stated that although drastic declines in revenue due the economic effects of COVID-19 will result in less road maintenance and taller grass on State-owned roadways, the Department’s mission of improving congestion, preserving the road system and providing safety measures for both drivers and pedestrians has not changed. Council had previously provided a project priority listing for Talbot County to the State representatives which included various road capacity issues and intersection improvements. Council discussion ensued with the representatives and the local delegation as various items were brought forward, particularly those relevant to Talbot County and the Eastern Shore, including a potential third span of the Bay Bridge. Department of Transportation representatives advised that the Tier I Draft Environmental Impact Statement is available online and the final is scheduled for approval 2021; however, no funding has been allocated for a Tier 2 study at this time. Council has strongly expressed to the State that they remain against any proposed new bridge crossing coming to Talbot County. At Mr. Divilio’s request, information on materials processing will be forwarded to the County from Tim Smith, Deputy Administrator, Maryland Department of Transportation/State Highway Administration.

CASH STATEMENT 10/20/2020

BALANCE 10/13/2020	46,509,735.20
TOTAL ADP PAYROLL PPE 10/02/2020	(614,916.01)
PENSION DED PPE 10/02/2020	(37,401.83)
CIGNA CLAIMS PAID THRU 10/13/2020	(69,606.18)
BRF RETURN JUL-SEP 2020	(500,487.20)
POSTAGE WIRE	(3,000.00)
USDA/RD MTHLY BOND PYMT #97-08	(1,304.00)
WELLS FARGO GOLF EQUIP LEASE PYMT	(4,092.00)
DEPOSITS	755,956.90
CHECKS	(305,441.02)
VOIDED CHECK(S) #344485, 344632, 344963, 345239, 345426	21,806.85
BALANCE 10/20/2020	45,751,250.71

INVESTMENTS - CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

<u>Certificate Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Amount</u>
PNC-MLGIP INVESTMENTS TOTAL		0.11%	20,500,000.00
1880 BANK			10,149,857.11
TOTAL INVESTED			<u>30,649,857.11</u>
PETTY CASH			<u>12,275.00</u>
BALANCE			
<u>GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS</u>			<u>76,413,382.82</u>

CASH STATEMENT 10/27/2020

BALANCE 10/20/2020	45,751,250.71
DEFERRED COMP DED PPE 9/18/2020	(17,084.87)

DEFERRED COMP PPE 9/18/2020 PLAN 401(A)	(7,029.15)
DEFERRED COMP DED PPE 9/30/2020	(990.00)
DEFERRED COMP DED PPE 10/2/2020	(17,084.87)
DEFERRED COMP PPE 10/2/2020 PLAN 401(A)	(7,029.15)
CIGNA CLAIMS PAID THRU 10/19/2020	(82,306.21)
AIRPORT FY21 TAX	(12,936.04)
SALES & USE GOLF COURSE DUE 10/20/2020	(797.39)
OCTOBER 2020 ENTERPRISE LEASE PMT	(8,960.68)
RETURNED CHECKS #1586, 9226	(486.57)
BANK CHARGES	(3,708.67)
8/2020	
BANK CHARGES	(4,016.91)
9/2020	
INTEREST ON ACCOUNTS 9/2020	4,116.26
DEPOSITS	2,054,105.12
CHECKS	(831,601.92)
BALANCE 10/27/2020	<u>46,815,439.66</u>

INVESTMENTS - CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

<u>Certificate Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Amount</u>
PNC-MLGIP INVESTMENTS TOTAL		0.10%	20,500,000.00
1880 BANK			10,149,857.11
TOTAL INVESTED			<u>30,649,857.11</u>
PETTY CASH			<u>12,275.00</u>
BALANCE			
<u>GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS</u>			<u>77,477,571.77</u>