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**Sparks Appointed as Talbot County Finance Director**

The Talbot County Council is pleased to announce the appointment of Martha Darling Sparks as Talbot County Finance Director. Sparks began work with the county in July 2022 and brings a wealth of experience working for local government.

Sparks received an MBA from Wilmington University and a B.S. Degree in Accounting from Wesley College. Additionally Sparks is a graduate of the Academy of Excellence in Local Governance from the University of Maryland, School of Public Policy. She has worked in local government for the past eight years and has furthered her government knowledge by working with the Maryland Municipal League and Maryland Association of Counties. Sparks and her family have lived in Talbot County for 24 years. Sparks stated, “I love the community I live in and I’m excited to bring my professional knowledge and skills to work for my home county as its new Finance Director.”

“We are so fortunate to have found an ideal candidate for this position who is not only passionate about working for local government, but who has lived in our county for many years and has raised her family here. Martha is a welcome addition to the Talbot County team,” stated Chuck Callahan, President, Talbot County Council.

Clay Stamp, Talbot County Manager, commented “Martha’s years of experience working in local government are a true asset to the county. She will bring many skills to our management team.”

