

**TALBOT COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

**MEETING MINUTES
FOR
SEPTEMBER 12, 2016**

October 5, 2016

ATTENDEES:

Bill Anderson, Public Works Advisory Board Chairman
Roger Bollman, Public Works Advisory Board Vice Chairman
Ian White, Public Works Advisory Board member
Ed Schlichter, Public Works Advisory Board member
Cory Buxton, Public Works Advisory Board member
Ray Clarke, County Engineer
Bill Wolinski, DPW Environmental Engineer

1. OLD BUSINESS

- a. No Old Business

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. The Department of Public Works was unable to complete the meeting minutes for the August 3, 2016 meeting for the Board to review at their September 12, 2016 meeting
- b. As per the request of the Public Works Advisory Board, letterhead for the Board was printed and secured. After review of the letterhead, Mr. Schlichter's name was misspelled, and the Board decided to add their middle initials. The Department of Public Work will resubmit the letterhead for reprinting.
- c. Ray reviewed the capital projects being completed by the Department. A copy of the Capital Improvement Project list was provided during the meeting.
- d. Ray reviewed the flow from the Region II and Region V Wastewater Treatment Plants with the Board with a copy of these flows being provided during the meeting.
- e. The Board reviewed Bill 1347 – Identical Density Legislation and put forth a motion that the Board supports Bill 1347 and recommends that the County Council adopt Bill 1347. After the motion was seconded, the Board voted 5-0 in favor of the motion.
- f. The Board reviewed Bill 1350 – Martingham USDA Loan, and the Board raised concerns about the Bill as it related to the bond being a Revenue Bond instead of a General Obligation Bond. Ray and Bill Wolinski attempted to advise the Board of the process and noted that this was the process as reviewed with the Finance Office and Bond Counsel. Ray noted that Mike Pullen, County Attorney, had issues, but after consultation

with the Bond Council, Mike was okay with the bill. The Board requested that Mike Pullen be contacted, and during the meeting Mike Pullen attempted to contact the Bond Counsel. Since the Bond Counsel could not be reached, Mike Pullen and Angela Lane, Finance Director, contacted the Board during their meeting to review the legislation. After the conference call, the Board was hesitant in moving forward with a motion on the Bond Bill.

- g. The Board raised the same hesitancy related to Bill 1351 – Bio-Solids Facility USDA Loan, and took no action on this item.
- h. The Board was provided with an update on the Solar Array Committee by Corey Buxton and Bill Anderson.
- i. Ray and the Board reviewed sewer extension of extending sewer from the Region II (St. Michaels) Wastewater System to the Region V Wastewater System which was originally planned for an upgrade and expansion with enhanced nutrient removal (ENR) technologies. The original concern was sea level rise impacting Tilghman Island, but the economics and the consolidation of the wastewater operations at the Region II (St. Michaels) Wastewater Treatment Plant allows the Talbot County Sanitary District to implement remote monitoring strategies and reduce labor costs by operating only one wastewater treatment plant and numerous pump stations.

OPEN DISCUSSION

PWAB Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:15 p.m.

Author: Respectfully Submitted, Ray Clarke

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