



# TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND

County Council

MINUTES

March 9, 2021

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

- I. Agenda – The Agenda for Tuesday, March 9, 2021 was brought forward for approval. Mr. Divilio requested Council’s consideration to remove items B, C, and D from the County Manager’s Report; Ms. Price requested to remove *Item IX, Discussion of Pending General Assembly Legislation*, stating that no legislation had been presented for discussion. Mr. Divilio amended his motion to amend the Agenda to remove items B, C, and D, and Item IX; Ms. Price seconded the motion. The Council approved the March 9, 2021 Agenda, as amended by voting 5 – 0 as follows:
  - Mr. Callahan – Aye
  - Mr. Divilio – Aye
  - Mr. Leshner – Aye
  - Ms. Price – Aye
  - Mr. Pack - Aye
- II. Minutes – Mr. Callahan requested and received unanimous consent for approval of the Minutes of Tuesday, Tuesday, February 23, 2021.
- III. Disbursements – Mr. Callahan requested Council’s approval of the disbursements of Tuesday, March 2, 2021, and Tuesday, March 9, 2021. Council members noted that the Disbursements for March 9<sup>th</sup> had not been included in the information provided to them for review. Mr. Callahan then requested and received Council’s unanimous consent for approval of the Disbursements of Tuesday, March 2, 2021. The Disbursements for March 9, 2021 will be scheduled for approval on Tuesday, March 23, 2021.
- IV. Proclamation: Endometriosis Awareness Month – March 2021 – The proclamation for Endometriosis Awareness Month was brought forward for introduction. Prior to introduction, Mr. Divilio, sponsor of the proclamation, introduced Shannon Hannawald, who shared her personal story of struggle with the disease for the past 20 years. The Clerk then read the proclamation into the record which spoke of the prevalence of the disease among women of childbearing age, its symptoms, treatments, and long-term effects. Upon motion by Mr. Pack, seconded by Mr. Divilio, the Council approved the proclamation by voting 5 – 0 as follows:
  - Mr. Callahan – Aye
  - Mr. Divilio – Aye
  - Mr. Leshner – Aye
  - Ms. Price – Aye
  - Mr. Pack – Aye

- V. Presentation of Delmarva Community Transit’s FY2022 Annual Transportation Plan – Santo Grande, Executive Director, Delmarva Community Services, Inc. - Mr. Grande briefed the Council on Delmarva Community Transit’s Annual Transportation Grant application for FY2022 to the State of Maryland under the Federal Transit Act and the local matches for each of the categories for which grants are being requested. The grant application includes operating and capital funding requests as well as the sources of all funding received through the Maryland Transportation Administration, including federal funding, for the public transportation system for Caroline, Kent and Talbot counties; funding for the transportation system in Dorchester County is filed separately. Mr. Grande stated that federal and State funding being requested totals \$1,230,399.00; local funding requested from the participating counties totals \$367,184.00. Mr. Grande expressed his appreciation to the Council for the assistance of County administrative staff who manage the grant paperwork for which Talbot County is the grantee of record. Council discussion ensued with Mr. Grande. Upon motion by Mr. Pack, seconded by Mr. Divilio, the Council approved Delmarva Community Transit’s FY2022 Annual Transportation Plan as presented by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- VI. Introduction of Administrative Resolution:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TALBOT COUNTY TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A SECTION 5303, 5304, 5307, 5309, 5310, AND 5311 GRANT UNDER THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ACT was read into the record by the Clerk. The administrative resolution was introduced by Mr. Callahan, Mr. Divilio, Mr. Leshner, Mr. Pack, and Ms. Price. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Pack, the Council approved the administrative resolution by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

The Administrative Resolution is effective immediately.

- VII. Introduction of Legislation:

A BILL TO REPEAL OFFICIAL ZONING MAP 41 OF TALBOT COUNTY, AND REENACT THE SAME WITH AN AMENDMENT CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT ON A PORTION OF TAX MAP 41, PARCEL 68, REMAINING LANDS AND LOTS 1, 2, AND 3, CONSISTING OF 2.029 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, FROM THE VILLAGE HAMLET (VH) ZONING DISTRICT TO THE WESTERN RURAL CONSERVATION (WRC) ZONING DISTRICT was read into the record by the Clerk and brought forward for introduction. Prior to introduction, Anthony Kupersmith, Acting County Attorney, stated that the properties which are the subject of the legislation are located in the village of Royal Oak. He stated that the request is for a change in the zoning map designation from Village Hamlet to Western Rural Conservation and falls under a “change or mistake” analysis. Mr. Kupersmith stated that in 2018, the Council completed a comprehensive zoning update; since this request is being made outside of the comprehensive update, it is considered a piecemeal zoning. He stated that the Planning Commission reviewed the request, determined that it met the standard for change or mistake, and recommended that

Council proceed with processing the request. Peter Cotter, attorney for the applicant, outlined the reasons for the zoning change request. The legislation was introduced by Mr. Callahan, Mr. Divilio, Mr. Leshner, Mr. Pack, and Ms. Price as Bill No. 1471. A public hearing was scheduled for Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bradley Meeting Room, South Wing, Talbot County Courthouse, 11 North Washington Street, Easton, Maryland 21601.

A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 134 OF THE TALBOT COUNTY CODE (ROADS ORDINANCE) TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF A ROADS REPURPOSING FACILITY was read into the record by the Clerk and brought forward for introduction. Prior to introduction, Acting County Attorney, Anthony Kupersmith, stated that the purpose of the proposed legislation is to include in the County's road ordinance, the authority of the Roads Department to establish a repurposing facility and to set up said facility as an Enterprise Fund, whereby revenues generated by the facility support its operating expenses and its funds are kept separate from other County funds. Mr. Kupersmith stated that Easton Airport is an Enterprise Fund. The legislation was introduced by Mr. Callahan, Mr. Divilio, Mr. Leshner, Mr. Pack, and Ms. Price as Bill No. 1472. A public hearing was scheduled for Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bradley Meeting Room, South Wing, Talbot County Courthouse, 11 North Washington Street, Easton, Maryland 21601.

VIII. County Manager's Report:

- A. Talbot County Economic Development Commission – Requested Council approval for the appointment of Clifford Coppersmith to the Talbot County Economic Development Commission as an Ex-Officio member representing Chesapeake College. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Leshner, the Council approved the appointment by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- B. Request from Historic Easton, Inc. – Requested Council approval to forward a letter of support for Historic Easton, Inc.'s grant application for an FY21 Maryland Historical Trust Capital Grant in the sum of \$100,000; if approved, funding will be utilized to assist with preservation of the historic Asbury United Methodist Church in Easton; no County funds are required. Upon motion by Mr. Leshner, seconded by Mr. Divilio, the Council approved the letter of support by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- C. Request from Historic Easton, Inc. – Requested Council approval to forward a letter of support for Historic Easton, Inc.'s grant application for an FY22 African American Heritage Preservation Program Capital Projects Grant in the sum of \$100,000; if approved, funding will be utilized to assist with preservation of the historic Asbury United Methodist Church in Easton; no County funding is required. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Leshner, the Council approved the letter of support by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- D. Request from Department of Parks and Recreation – Requested Council approval to have the Department of Parks and Recreation apply for and accept a grant from the Maryland Heritage Area Authority in the sum of \$100,000. If approved, the funding will be used to continue work on the Frederick Douglass Park on the Tuckahoe to include the design and planting of a pollinator meadow, initiation of a trail system around the perimeter of the park, and the construction of viewing platforms. Mr. Stamp stated that the grant requires one-to-one matching funds which have been requested in the FY22 Budget. Council discussion ensued with Preston Peper, Director, Department of Parks and Recreation. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Divilio, the Council approved the request by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- E. Request from Department of Economic Development and Tourism – Requested Council approval to apply for and accept a grant from the Maryland Heritage Area Authority in the sum of \$50,000. If approved, the funding will be used to add interpretive signage at the Frederick Douglass Park on the Tuckahoe, specifically to the pollinator meadow and scenic overlooks, and to redesign the frederickdouglassbirthplace.org website. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Divilio, the Council approved the request by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

- E. Bid No. 17-16, GRASS CUTTING SERVICES – PARKS, BALL FIELDS AND LANDINGS - TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND – Requested Council approval to extend the current contract for Bid No. 17-16 with Riverside Lawn Service in the sum of \$41,999.00 for the 2021 season; said cost is the same awarded under the original contract in 2018 and in subsequent years. Council discussion ensued with Preston Peper, Director, Department of Parks and Recreation. Upon motion by Mr. Divilio, seconded by Ms. Price, the Council approved extension of the contract by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

Mr. Pack – Aye

- F. Bid No. 17-17, PORTABLE SANITARY CHEMICAL TOILET SERVICE, TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND – Requested Council approval to extend the current contract for Bid No. 17-17 with Pierson Comfort Group, LLC in the sum of \$19,044.50 for the 2021 season; said cost is the same awarded under the original contract in 2018 and in subsequent years. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Divilio, the Council approved extension of the contract by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan – Aye

Mr. Divilio – Aye

Mr. Leshar – Aye

Ms. Price – Aye

Mr. Pack – Aye

- G. Request from Neighborhood Service Center – Requested Council approval of a request from the Neighborhood Service Center to have the County partner with them on a federal grant application through the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. If approved, funding from the grant, entitled *Second Chance Act*, will be used to provide transitional services to incarcerated parents and their children through the National Fatherhood Initiative; no County funds are required. Prior to Council’s consideration of the request, Mr. Pack recused himself as he is a party to the grant application. Mr. Divilio outlined the benefits of the program and commended Mr. Pack for his work with same. Marilyn Neal, Executive Director, Neighborhood Service Center, stated that the grant funding will secure staffing, equipment, curriculum and resources for the program; the Neighborhood Service Center will provide space for the program. Upon motion by Mr. Divilio, seconded by Mr. Leshar, the Council approved the request by voting 4 – 0 as follows:

Mr. Callahan – Aye

Mr. Divilio – Aye

Mr. Leshar – Aye

Ms. Price – Aye

Mr. Pack returned to the Council meeting.

- IX. Public Comments: There were no public comments.

- X. Council Comments:

Mr. Leshar – Mr. Leshar stated that since beginning his role on the County Council a little more than two years ago, County Attorney Tony Kupersmith had been his “North Star”, helping him navigate the proprieties, procedures and legalities of the role. He stated that Mr. Kupersmith, in his opinion, laid out in neutral terms the pluses, minuses, the way forward, and the pitfalls regarding any legal decision faced by the Council. He stated that Mr. Kupersmith would also make it very clear to Council when there was only one path forward, and do so in an undramatic fashion. He stated that, in his opinion, Mr. Kupersmith’s clear, crisp, calm manner has kept the Council in good stead. Mr. Leshar concluded his comments by stating that when the ballot measure failed that would have allowed the Council to keep

Mr. Kupersmith on, we could not, but he owes Mr. Kupersmith a sincere debt of gratitude.

Mr. Divilio - Mr. Divilio concurred with Mr. Leshner's comments and stated that he has always appreciated how he can call Mr. Kupersmith, tell him what he wants done and how he would like it to be done, only to have Mr. Kupersmith calmly say that we can't do it that way, but turn it around and show how it can be done and guide him through the process. Mr. Divilio stated that he greatly appreciates his friendship with Mr. Kupersmith, stating that Mr. Leshner's reference to Mr. Kupersmith as the North Star was, in his opinion, awesome. He stated that he wished he had had an opportunity to go out on a boat, to go sailing and fishing with Mr. Kupersmith to show him around. He stated that he's glad Mr. Kupersmith is not going far and that, in his opinion, the firm he will be working for is very lucky. Mr. Divilio concluded his comments by stating that Mr. Kupersmith had been a great asset to him, and in his opinion, to the County, and that he looks forward to Mr. Kupersmith's success, then deciding to retire back to Talbot County and filling this role again.

Ms. Price – Ms. Price stated that when Mr. Kupersmith first came to work for Talbot County and she found out that he was a William & Mary graduate, she felt a connection with him since her son had also attended the school. She stated that being able to call him, have him patiently listen to her and to be able to get to the “nuts and bolts” of what you can and cannot do through legislation was great. She stated that, in her opinion, Mr. Kupersmith has been through a lot with us and that it had not been the easiest of times. She stated that, in her opinion, to have a relationship where you feel you can talk to somebody and that they can also share back with Council members and just act like human beings with one another and to be friends is a great asset. Ms. Price stated that, in her opinion, it is sad that citizens couldn't understand that it was not a done deal that the Council would automatically hire people from outside the county had the ballot question to remove the residency requirement for the County Attorney position been successful; we had, in her opinion, a real gem in Mr. Kupersmith and it is just a shame that it had to work out this way. Ms. Price concluded her comments by wishing Mr. Kupersmith the best and stated that she had enjoyed their years of working together.

Mr. Pack – Mr. Pack stated that although he saw this day coming, he did not relish it, and as several other Council members had stated, when the ballot question to remove the residency requirement for the County Attorney position was not successful, he was fearful that this day would come. He stated that maybe the Council can put the matter before the voters again in two years so that future Councils will not come to the same point. Mr. Pack stated that Mr. Kupersmith could not have been a better fit to work with former County Attorney, Mike Pullen, who was urged by several people to hire an attorney to assist him. He stated that it was not just Mr. Kupersmith's legal mind, but his temperament that worked well with Mr. Pullen's temperament and with the temperament of County government. Mr. Pack stated that, in his opinion, it is a bittersweet day – he is happy for Mr. Kupersmith and his family that he gets to work closer to home and will get to spend more time with his two small children, but he is going to miss working with him and being able to sit in his office to not only discuss County matters but matters of life and raising a family. Mr. Pack concluded his comments by stating that he will miss working with Mr. Kupersmith, wishes him well and that he will be missed. He stated that,

in his opinion, it is going to be a void that the Council is going to have to try some way to fill. He stated that losing the Assistant County Attorney about a year ago to Dorchester County and now losing Mr. Kupersmith seems like a double punch. Mr. Pack again which Mr. Kupersmith the best.

Mr. Callahan - Mr. Callahan echoed the statements of his colleagues that Mr. Kupersmith would be missed. He stated that he had enjoyed working with him over the past six or seven years and learning from him. He stated that he was happy for Mr. Kupersmith and, in his opinion, it is just another step in his life; he has a beautiful family and is ready for the next step; we did not want you to leave but you have a bright future ahead. He stated that he gives Mr. Kupersmith a lot of credit because it's been stressful and commended Mr. Kupersmith for his openness and honesty with the Council in the last several months to help the Council understand. He stated that the appreciated the dedication and trust that Mr. Kupersmith gave the Council; he has such great character of which he and his family should be proud, because it took a lot for him to come to the Council to tell them what he was doing and what he was feeling, Mr. Callahan stated that unfortunately, the voters may not have understood the vote, and like Mr. Pack said, we might want to try to do a little bit better job next time. Mr. Callahan concluded his comments by expressing his appreciation to Mr. Kupersmith for all that he had done for the Council and that, in his opinion, we could not ask for a better person for the job, and wished him the best.

County Manager, Clay Stamp, expressed his appreciation to Mr. Kupersmith for his assistance in the past three months since assuming the role of County Manager, and in his previous role as Director of Emergency Services. He stated that Mr. Kupersmith is, in his opinion, a top-notch individual, has done a great job and will be missed. Mr. Stamp introduced Patrick Thomas, who will be assuming the role of Acting County Attorney.

Mr. Kupersmith expressed his appreciation to everyone for their kind words and that it had been an honor to serve as Council attorney. He recalled times when as a young boy, he competed in junior sailing regattas on the Miles and Tred Avon Rivers and fell in love with Talbot County but somehow always found himself trailing behind the local Eastern Shore sailors, questioning how they managed to get to the front of the fleet. He stated that later, as a teenager, he would come to the Eastern Shore with his father and his father's prize birddog to hunt geese and other waterfowl, noting that those early memories and experiences led him to take clerk for Judge Bo Earnest in 2012 after graduating from law school. He stated that during his clerkship, when he would often walk past the Bradley Meeting Room when Council meetings were taking place and wonder what all the fuss was about, little did he know that he would become familiar with the County, the Council and the excellent men and women who serve as department heads, staff, and volunteers on County boards and committees. He stated that, in his opinion, there are so many excellent people who work here and that is one of the things that makes taking the next step bittersweet. Mr. Kupersmith concluded his comments by stating that looking back over the past eight years when he started working with Mike Pullen, he can confidently say that he has enjoyed his time working with the County, has learned a lot from everyone, and hopes that his contributions as a public servant have started to repay his debt of gratitude for giving him the opportunity to serve. He stated that he will miss working with everyone on a daily basis but looks forward to staying in touch personally and professionally as he makes this transition.

- XI. Upon motion by Ms. Price, seconded by Mr. Pack the Council voted to adjourn the meeting, to reconvene on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. for virtual budget deliberations and to reconvene on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 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. by voting 5 – 0 as follows:

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

The transcript of the March 9, 2021 County Council meeting is available for review in the Office of the Talbot County Manager during regular office hours.

**XII. Summary of Closed Session held on March 9, 2021:**

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

Time of closed session: 4:00 p.m. to 5:50 p.m.  
 Place of closed session: Via WebEx Events (virtual meeting)  
 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: None

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

<b>Topic description</b>	<b>Statutory authority</b>	<b>Persons present</b>	<b>Action taken</b>
To discuss appointments to various County boards and committees	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Facilities Maintenance	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action



To discuss personnel matter in Administrative Services	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action
To discuss personnel matter in County Attorney's Office	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Finance Office	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Planning & Zoning	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Sheriff's Office	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Department of Emergency Services	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Circuit Court	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank	No action

		Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	
To discuss personnel matter in State’s Attorney’s Office	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Election Board	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Department of Corrections	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Roads Department	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Public Works	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	No action
To discuss personnel matter in Parks and Recreation	GP § 3-305 (b) (1)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay	No action

		Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris, Angela Lane, Denitsa Myers	
For legal advice regarding litigation involving the County	GP § 3-305 (b) (7) and (8)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Anthony Kupersmith	No action
For legal advice on procedure for adopting numbered resolutions and legislation	GP § 3-305 (b) (7)	Corey Pack, Chuck Callahan, Frank Divilio, Pete Leshner, Laura Price, Clay Stamp, Tony Kupersmith, Jessica Morris	No action

XIII. Work Session with Talbot County Board of Elections – Jeri Cook, Election Director, Talbot County Board of Elections; Joseph Secrist, President, Talbot County Board of Elections; Members, Talbot County Board of Elections – The Council held a work session (virtual) with representatives of the Talbot County Board of Elections at 3:15 p.m. The purpose of the work session was to provide Council with information on the 2020 General Election; specifically concerns related to the safety and security of Board of Elections staff and the location of election equipment at an off-site location and the institution of universal security measures for the entire voting process. The Board requested Council’s consideration to provide space for housing of staff and equipment under one roof and outlined the reasons for the request. Council discussion ensued with the representatives. The Council will continue to review the request pending finalization of a space needs analysis for the County which is currently in process. The Talbot County Board of Elections will continue to update the Council on a regular or as-needed basis.

**CASH STATEMENT 3/2/2021**

BALANCE 2/23/2021	41,293,361.00
CIGNA CLAIMS PAID THRU 2/22/2021	(73,069.32)
ELECTION BOARD PPE 11/17/2020 & 11/24/2020	(11,157.84)
BOARD OF EDUCATION 2/2021	(3,635,367.00)
TALBOT CO. HUMANE SOCIETY APPROPRIATION FY20-21	(34,167.00)
TALBOT CO. FREE LIBRARY APPROPRIATION FY20-21	(117,398.00)
BANK CHARGES 1/2021	(1,487.16)
INTEREST ON ACCOUNTS 1/2021	3,669.80
DEPOSITS	1,655,603.07

CHECKS	(727,204.39)
VOIDED CHECK(S) #348745, 348746, 348757, 348671, 348597	17,802.32
<b>BALANCE 3/2/2021</b>	<b>38,370,585.48</b>

**INVESTMENTS - CERTIFICATES OF  
DEPOSIT**

<u>Certificate Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Amount</u>
PNC-MLGIP INVESTMENTS TOTAL		0.06%	20,500,000.00
1880 BANK			10,166,938.59
<b>TOTAL INVESTED</b>			<b><u>30,666,938.59</u></b>
<b>PETTY CASH BALANCE</b>			<b><u>12,275.00</u></b>
<b><u>GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS</u></b>			<b><u>69,049,799.07</u></b>

**CASH STATEMENT 3/9/2021**

BALANCE 3/02/2021	38,370,585.48
TOTAL ADP PAYROLL PPE 2/19/2021	(634,704.14)
TOTAL ADP MONTHLY PAYROLL PPE 2/28/2021	(11,067.54)
PENSION DED PPE 2/19/2021 & 2/28/2021	(39,961.96)
DEFERRED COMP DED PPE 2/19/2021 & 2/28/2021	(20,477.30)
DEFERRED COMP PPE 2/19/2021 PLAN 401(A)	(6,739.39)
CIGNA CLAIMS PAID THRU 3/1/2021	(22,706.41)
CIGNA CLAIMS PAID THRU 3/4/2021	(143,028.34)
MARCH 2021 RETIREE HEALTH INS PLAN #727	(32,333.12)
STATE REPORT 2/2021	(83,836.82)
AGRICULTURAL TRANSFER TAX PYMT 2/2021	(7,000.00)
ELECTION BOARD PPE 12/01/2020 & 12/08/2020	(11,123.28)
DEPOSITS	9,733,794.04
CHECKS	(396,846.12)
VOIDED CHECK(S) #347650	600.00
<b>BALANCE 3/9/2021</b>	<b><u>46,695,155.10</u></b>

**INVESTMENTS - CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT**

<u>Certificate Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Amount</u>
PNC-MLGIP INVESTMENTS TOTAL		0.06%	20,500,000.00
1880 BANK			10,166,938.59
<b>TOTAL INVESTED</b>			<b><u>30,666,938.59</u></b>
<b>PETTY CASH BALANCE</b>			<b><u>12,275.00</u></b>
<b><u>GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS</u></b>			<b><u>77,374,368.69</u></b>