

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CAROLINE COUNTY**

Health and Public Services (HAPS) Building

403 S. 7<sup>th</sup> Street Room 111

Denton, MD 21629

**Minutes**

**September 27, 2022**

Present: President Larry C. Porter; Vice President Daniel J. Franklin, Commissioner Wilbur Levensgood, Jr.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

Invocation by Buddy Dunn- Pastor of Faith Fellowship - Preston

**Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

**Consent Agenda/Action Items: (All three Commissioners voted unanimously to pass the consent agenda):**

- [Benedictine Foundation – Ring Road Project – Notification of Award](#)

**County Administrators Report – Jeremy Goldman:** Mr. Goldman stated that the Clean Chesapeake Coalition, represented by MacLeod Law Group, invited us to the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tawes Crab Boil and Clam Bake in Crisfield. Mr. Goldman also stated that the County received 4 bids on the Detention Center rehabilitation project, ranging from \$5.5M-\$11.5M. The County's budget is \$7.5M. Mr. Goldman stated the bids were a blind estimate. Mr. White, the Director of Public Works, concurred that the bids were a shot in the dark. They are going to narrow it down to a more realistic expectation of what we are looking for. Mr. White stated that this will allow for a more accurate cost of the project.

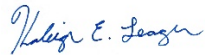
**County Commissioners Open Discussion:** Commissioner Porter stated that they received two applications for the South County seat on the Recreation & Parks Advisory Board, Mr. Murray, and Ms. Staehlin. Commissioner Franklin requested more information before a decision is made. Commissioner Levensgood stated that he took Friday afternoon to go to the Rural Maryland Coalition meeting. He stated that he brought up questions about lithium-ion batteries. He stated that recently, it took 6 hours for a professional fire company to extinguish an electric vehicle fire. Commissioner Levensgood stated that when he is no longer a Commissioner, he will be pushing this conversation Statewide. Commissioner Porter stated that he was shocked that there were not any seminars and/or programs at the MACo Summer Conference for Counties. Commissioner Levensgood stated that the State Fireman's Association brushed off his concerns when he spoke with them. Mr. Goldman asked the Commissioners if they were okay with Mr. Barroll representing them for the public hearing on the Waypost Solar project in October. Mr. Goldman stated that Mr. Barroll should respectfully request that the CPCN requires the project to follow the County planning and zoning rules and regulations. Mr. Barroll discussed some of the ways that liability can be avoided. The Commissioners stated that they were okay with Mr. Barroll attending the public hearing on their behalf. Commissioner Franklin stated that U5 called him and

stated that there were signs being unspecific to roadwork that was occurring in the County and that people couldn't get to their business. Commissioner Franklin stated that he was able to get it resolved after speaking with Mr. North in Public Works. Commissioner Porter stated that had a very productive meeting with the new Denton Town Manager, Scott Getchell.

**Public Comment:** Pastor Buddy Dunn stated that there is someone out in the public who can figure out the problem with the fire hazards and create a solution.

Commissioner Franklin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Levensgood seconded. All three Commissioners voted to adjourn the meeting.

There being no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.



Kaleigh Leager  
Executive Assistant to the County Commissioners