

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR SOMERSET COUNTY SPECIAL SESSION
TUESDAY AUGUST 13, 2019

At 2:23 p.m., the Board of Somerset County Commissioners met in Special Session with Commissioner President Craig Mathies, Sr. Commissioner Vice President Charles Laird, Commissioner Randy Laird, Commissioner Eldon Willing and Commissioner Rex Simpkins.

Also in attendance were County Administrator-Clerk Ralph D. Taylor and Executive Secretary Kimberly Lopez.

Closed Session Summary Report for August 13, 2019

On August 13, 2019, from 2:26 p.m. until 4:15 p.m., at 11916 Somerset Avenue, Room 111, upon a motion made by Commissioner Willing and seconded by Commissioner Simpkins, it carried 5-0 to enter into Closed Session by Authority of State Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Subtitle §3-305 (b) (1) the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has jurisdiction; (b) (7) consult with counsel to obtain legal advice.

Present for the Closed Session Meeting were President Craig Mathies, Sr., Vice President Charles Laird, Commissioner Rex Simpkins, Commissioner Randy Laird, and Commissioner Eldon Willing. Also present were County Administrator Ralph D. Taylor, Executive Secretary Kimberly Lopez, County Attorney Kirk Simpkins, Mayor Barry Dize, Mr. Rick Pollitt, Mr. Danny Thompson, Public Works Director John Redden, Solid Waste Director Charles Cavanaugh, and Human Resources Director Erica Yeager. Topics discussed were: (1) Legal, Actions taken: Approval of Settlement Agreement and Release (2) Personnel, Actions taken: None.

Mr. Taylor requested the Board's approval for a proclamation in honor of National Recovery Month (September 2019).

A motion was made by Vice President Charles Laird and seconded by Commissioner Simpkins to approve the proclamation for National Recovery Month.

Next, Mr. Taylor presented a letter drafted to Secretary Brinkley regarding the 2021 Capital Budget Request for Airport Hangars at the Crisfield-Somerset Airport and requested the Board's authorization for President Mathies' signature on the letter.

Upon a motion made Commissioner Randy Laird and seconded by Vice President Charles Laird, the Board voted 5-0 to authorize President Mathies' signature on the letter to Secretary Brinkley regarding the 2021 Capital Budget Request for Airport Hangars at the Crisfield-Somerset Airport.

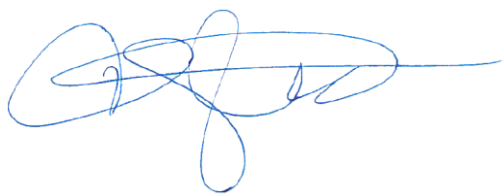
Mr. Taylor then addressed the request from Mr. Joseph Fehrer (from last week's meeting) to allow Mr. Taylor and Mr. Pusey to represent the county as members on the Lower Shore Climate Adaptation Network.

On a motion made by Vice President Charles Laird and seconded by Commissioner Willing, the Board voted 5-0 to authorize Mr. Taylor and Mr. Pusey to represent the county as members on the Lower Shore Climate Adaptation Network.

The board was then advised for the need of a Closed Session.

Therefore, at 2:26 pm, on a motion made by Commissioner Willing and seconded by Commissioner Simpkins that carried 5-0, the Board of County Commissioners for Somerset County entered into Closed Session by Authority of State Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Subtitle §3-305 (b) (1) the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has jurisdiction; and (b) (7) consult with counsel to obtain legal advice.

Approved by:



Board of County Commissioners
For Somerset County

Respectfully Submitted:



Kimberly Lopez
Executive Secretary