

Special Meeting of County Commissioners

Monday March 28, 2022

The special meeting of the County Commissioners was convened virtually at 2:06 p.m. with the following persons in attendance:

Reuben B. Collins II, Esq., President, County Commissioner
Bobby Rucci, Vice President, County Commissioner
Gilbert O. Bowling, III, County Commissioner
Thomasina O. Coates, M.S., County Commissioner
Mark Belton, County Administrator
Deborah Hall, Deputy County Administrator
Wesley Adams, County Attorney
Carol A. DeSoto, Clerk to the Commissioners

**Amanda M. Stewart, M.Ed., County Commissioner was absent*

Joint Meeting: Charles County Board of County Commissioners and the Prince George's County Council

Councilman Calvin Hawkins, II, Chair, Prince George's County Council called this virtual meeting to order with introductions of the following Councilpersons in attendance:

Calvin S. Hawkins, II, Chair, At-Large
Sydney J. Harrison, Vice Chair, District 9
Mel Franklin, At-Large
Thomas E. Dernoga, District 1
Todd M. Turner, District 4
Jolene Ivey, District 5
Rodney C. Streeter, District 7
Edward P. Burroughs, III, District 8

Overview of Topics Discussed:

Transportation

- o Southern Maryland Rapid Transit (SMRT) plan is a joint priority
- o Highway User Revenue (HUR) Funds
- o MD 210
- o MD 228
- o MD 5/US 301
- o Bus Coordination
- o Dumping/Litter

Farm to Table (Agri-Businesses/Rural Tier)

Sustainable Growth and Economic Development

- o Economic Development along shared transportation corridors
- o Water Capacity
- o Workforce Development
- o Environment and Air Quality

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The Commissioners and the Prince Georges' County Council agreed to establishing a task force to study the potential for establishing a Regional Transportation Authority. It was also agreed that specific tasks need to be assigned to both counties and staff to provide updates at the next joint meeting.

It was suggested that the next joint meeting take place in Charles County.

At 3:46 p.m., a motion was made by Commissioner Bowling, seconded by Commissioner Coates and passed, with Commissioners Bowling, Coates, Rucci and Collins present, voting in favor to adjourn.

**Commissioner Stewart was not present for the vote.*

Carol A. DeSoto, Clerk to the Commissioners



Reuben B. Collins, II, Esq., President