

Regular Meeting of County Commissioners
Wednesday October 18, 2023

The regularly scheduled meeting of the County Commissioners was convened virtually, at 4:02 p.m. with the following persons in attendance:

Reuben B. Collins II, Esq., President, County Commissioner
Ralph Patterson, II, M.A., Vice President, County Commissioner
Gilbert O. Bowling, III, County Commissioner
Thomasina O. Coates, M.S., County Commissioner
Amanda M. Stewart, M.Ed., County Commissioner
Deborah Hall, Acting County Administrator
Wes Adams, County Attorney
Carol A. DeSoto, Clerk to the Commissioners
Christina Elkins, Assistant Clerk to the Commissioners

**Commissioners Stewart and Patterson joined the session at about 4:09 p.m.*

Call to Order/Pledge

Commissioner Collins called the meeting to order and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

A roll call was taken. Commissioners Bowling, Coates and Collins were present. *Commissioners Stewart and Patterson were not present.*

Closed Session

At 4:04 p.m., motion was made by Commissioner Bowling, seconded by Commissioner Coates and passed, with Commissioners Bowling, Coates, and Collins present, voting in favor to move into Closed Session where all or a portion of this session may be closed pursuant to Section 3-305 (b)(1) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland to conduct interviews for Commissioner appointed Boards, the Planning Commission and the Charles County Police Accountability Board. The reason for moving into closed session is to keep personnel information confidential. **Commissioners Stewart and Patterson were not present for the vote.*

Summary Closed Session Items

At 4:09 p.m., the Commissioners went into closed session.

Commissioners Stewart and Patterson joined the session.

3-305(b)(1) Boards and Commissions Interviews

Present: Commissioners Bowling, Coates, Stewart, Patterson, and Collins, Wes Adams, Deborah Hall, Carol DeSoto, Christina Elkins

The Commissioners interviewed three (3) applicants for the Planning Commission and three (3) applicants for the Charles County Police Accountability Board.

The Commissioners will continue discussion on October 24, 2023 during Closed Session and take official action on October 24, 2023 under Additional Approval Items- Action on Boards, Commissions, and Committees.

**At about 4:46 p.m. Commissioner Bowling left session.*

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At 5:08 p.m., a motion was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Coates and passed, with Commissioners Stewart, Patterson, Coates and Collins present, voting in favor to adjourn.
**Commissioner Bowling was not present for the vote.*

Christina Elkins, Assistant Clerk to the Commissioners

Reuben B. Collins, II, Esq., President