

# MINUTES

## COSM

### Commissioners

#### COSM Budget Working Session 4 and Closed Session

Tuesday, March 22, 2022, 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Edgar M Bosley Jr. Municipal Admin Building

300 Mill Street; PO Box 206

St. Michaels, MD 21663

- I.  
Call to Order for Working Session - Pledge of Allegiance
- President Bibb called to order a live and remote working session on the FY 2022-23 budget (4) at 4:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Edgar M. Bosley Jr. Municipal Building, 300 Mill Street, St. Michaels, Maryland, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Also present were Commissioners David Breimhurst, Joyce Harrod, Aida Khalil and Tad duPont, Interim Town Manager Jeff Rhodes, Zoning Officer Kymberly Kudla, Finance Clerk Katherine Eglseder and Legislative Clerk Suzanna Warnick.

#### II. Public Working Session on Fiscal Year 2023 Budget

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- President Bibb outlined what should be the process of working through the budget as a group of five Commissioners. After some discussion, the Commissioners agreed to be more diligent in sharing information on informal meetings.

President Bibb began a line-by-line review of the latest draft budget beginning with taxes. Interim Town Manager answered questions about his averaging approach to budgeting in general and explained the County's provision of an estimated constant yield tax rate for the Town based on assessments.

The Commissioners continued their review of budget line items with Mr. Rhodes making changes as the Commissioners made decisions. Roy Myers, Chairman of the Waterways Advisory Board responded to harbor and boat slip questions and provided clarification of the matching grant process for the Sea Level/climate change project. The Commissioners also received clarification from Finance Clerk Kathy Eglseder of various budget categories and regular expense payments.

The Commissioners discussed the Town's trash and recycling programs, town vehicles and vehicle maintenance expenses, harbor maintenance, and street lighting, the street camera revenue, and legal expenses.

III. Comments from the Public

- Mr. Myers said he would like to talk to Mr. Rhodes about the Sea Level Rise Committee and the Open Meetings Act requirements.

IV. Comments from the Commissioners

V. Announcement of Future Budget Meetings

VI. Adjournment from Open Session into Closed Executive Session

- The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m. and then President Bibb called for a motion to move into Closed Session. Commissioner Khalil made the motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Breimhurst and which passed on a roll call vote of 5-0 in favor.

VII. Call to Order for Closed Executive Session

- The Commissioners will vote to hold a Closed Session today after the Open Session. Please take a recorded vote to close the open session and go into closed session according to the following:

This meeting will be closed under General Provision Art. Sub-Section 3-305(b) -1- To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matters that affects one or more specific individuals.

VIII. Items for Discussion

Personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals

IX. Adjournment

Adjourn from Closed Session