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OPEN AGENDA September 2, 2025

Call to Order

Open Session

5:00 p.m.

Closed Session

5:01 p.m.

Reconvene into Open Session

6:00 p.m.

1. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

2. Calls for Additions/Deletions to Agenda

3. Financial Report: General Fund Cash on Hand: \$33,259,995.58

4. Closed Session Summary §3-305(b): (1), (13) & (7)

5. Consent Agenda

6:01 p.m.

A. County Council Open Session Minutes – August 19, 2025

B. Accounts Payable Disbursement Report – Week Ending August 29, 2025

C. Grant Increase Request – Department Of Natural Resources (DNR) – FY27 Waterway Improvement Fund (WIF) – Public Works

- Request of Public Works to increase the FY27 WIF grant amounts for the following projects as DNR increased the funding maximum:
 - Tyler's Cove Phase 3 Construction – from \$250,000 to \$500,000
 - Back Creek Marina Construction – from \$250,000 to \$500,000

D. Eastern Shore Innovation Center License Extension Agreement Recommendation – Economic Development

- Recommendation of Economic Development to enter into an Eastern Shore Innovation Center License Extension Agreement with a current business

E. Letter of Support Request – State Revitalization Program Application – Town of Vienna

- Request of the Town of Vienna to provide a letter of support for its FY2026 State Revitalization Programs application, submitted through the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, for the following projects:
 - Community Legacy – Preservation of Old Coast Guard Station – \$14,400
 - Strategic Demolition Fund Statewide – Vienna Nanticoke River Park – \$289,400

F. Letter of Support Request– 319(h) Grant Program Application – Nanticoke Watershed Alliance

- Request of Nanticoke Watershed Alliance to provide support of its \$150,000 to \$225,000 319(h) Grant Program application, through the Maryland Department of the Environment, for its Upper Nanticoke River Watershed Plan

G. Letter of Support Request – Maryland Affordable Housing Trust (MAHT) Grant Application – Habitat for Humanity Choptank

- Request of Habitat for Humanity Choptank to provide support of its \$150,000 MAHT grant application, through the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, for construction of five new homes on Cardin Way, Cambridge, Maryland, which will cover \$30,000 of construction costs per home

H. Event Request – Cycling Marathon – Gran Fondo New York (GFNY)

- Request of GFNY to hold its 2025 cycling marathon on October 5, 2025 from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and execute the Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration Permit

6. Proclamation(s)

6:02 p.m.

A. Dorchester Goes Purple – Month of September – Chamber of Commerce

- 7. Annual Transportation Meeting Discussion** **6:07 p.m.**
- The final discussion will be held pertaining to various state roadway concerns throughout the County, leading up to the annual meeting with Maryland Department of Transportation officials on September 16, 2025
- 8. FY26 Maryland General Assembly Legislative Session Discussion** **6:12 p.m.**
- The final discussion will be held regarding proposed legislative initiatives for the Maryland General Assembly's 2026 Legislative Session, leading up to the annual meeting with District 37 Delegates and Senator Johnny Mautz on September 16, 2025
- 9. Action Items** **6:17 p.m.**
- A. Bid Award Recommendation – Fuel Contract – Public Works
- Recommendation of Public Works to award the bid for the proposal request entitled, “Gasoline, #2 Fuel Oil, Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel & Propane,” to the lowest bidder to obtain fuel products for the Highway Division and Solid Waste Department, which will be funded by various departments FY26 Operating Budgets.
- B. FY2025 Operating Budget Amendment No. 1 Request – Dorchester County Board of Education
- Request of Dorchester County Public Schools to amend its FY25 Operating Budget to transfer funds from Student Services (-\$2,100,000) and Fixed Charges (-\$605,000) to Administration (\$265,000), Instructional Salaries (\$1,250,000), Instructional Supplies (\$605,000), Instructional Other Costs (\$160,000), Special Education (\$120,000), Operation of Plant (\$210,000), and Maintenance of Plant (\$95,000)
- C. Letter of Interest – Burial Sites Preservation Board Appointment
- Consideration of a letter of interest to serve on the Burial Sites Preservation Board
- 10. County Manager Comments** **6:20 p.m.**
- 11. Council Comments** **6:21 p.m.**
- 12. Public Comments** **6:26 p.m.**
- 13. Adjournment** **6:30 p.m.**

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