

**Queen Anne's County Council of Governments  
Town Office of Church Hill  
406 Main Street  
Church Hill, MD 21623**

**May 14, 2025**

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**MINUTES**

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Commissioner Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m.

Those present were:

Virginia Albers	Todd Mohn	Major Boardman
Amy Moore	Jack Wilson	Janet Rochester
Aaron Horney	Charlie Rhodes	Maggie Coursey
Carolyn Brinkley	Nancy Lindenberg	Jeff Kiel
Robin McKinney	Dawn Starkey	Shari Hershberger
Heather Tinelli		

Dinner was provided by the Town of Church Hill.

Commissioner Wilson conducted roll call of the town voting members. The following were present:

Millington –  
Sudlersville –  
Templeville –  
Barclay – Virginia Albers, Robin McKinney  
Church Hill – Charlie Rhodes, Maggie Coursey  
Queen Anne – Dawn Starkey  
Centreville – Carolyn Brinkley, Jeff Kiel  
Queenstown – Amy Moore, Aaron Horney  
Queen Anne's County – Jack Wilson, Todd Mohn, Shari Hershberger, Heather Tinelli

On a motion by Dawn Starkey, seconded by Jeff Kiel, the Council unanimously agreed to accept the minutes of the March 12, 2025 meeting.

**PRESENTATIONS:** Heather Tinelli, Director of Economic and Tourism Development presented an update which included, Economic Outlook, Strategic Plan, RMEDF Projects & Community Development Goals

**DISCUSSION OF CURRENT TOPICS OF INTEREST:**

Millington: No report

Sudlersville: No report

Templeville: No report

Barclay: Robin McKinney reported

- New 313 Deli owner is expanding the hours of operation
- The communication tower is due to start construction soon
- The town has received \$125,000 grant towards the new Town Hall
- Classic Tire is moving out of town
- Beavers are continuing to be an issue in town and causing flooding of properties

Church Hill: Charlie Rhodes reported

- There was a total loss house fire in town. Appreciation was extended to the fire departments that appeared on the scene and to the neighbors and town members that have provided assistance.
- The town budget has been introduced and a hearing will be held on May 19, 2025.
- There will not be any property tax increase this budget season.
- Speed cameras have generated 1,003 citations since the beginning of the year.
- Waste Water Treatment Plant – still working through the upgrades for adding aerators to the plant.
- Ryan Homes subdivision is complete. Landscaping and roads should be completed in June.
- The town is prepping for a new town hall/community center.
- Charlie Rhodes is unopposed in the town election and will continue as a Town Commissioner for 3 years.

Queen Anne: Dawn Starkey reported

- The shed has been delivered for the library. People are calling inquiring if they can donate books.
- Speeding continues to be an issue in town.

Centreville: Jeff Kiel reported

- The reading of the budget is scheduled for tomorrow.
- Hillside and Drapers are in the process of expanding.
- There was a ribbon cutting of the new flower shop located at Liberty St. and Water St.
- There is a Touch-A-Truck event scheduled for May 31 at QACHS. Trooper 6 is scheduled to be one of the featured vehicles.
- Mill Building- There was an emergency public hearing. The building is in disrepair.
- There is a strip mall scheduled to be constructed behind Dunkin Donuts. The mall will include a Dairy Queen, Jersey Mike's, Advanced Auto and a Verizon store.
- The Farmers Market started on Sunday on Lawyers Row.

Queenstown: Amy Moore reported

- Water tank and infrastructure project – updated project budget has come in about \$2M more than anticipated. They are waiting on bids to determine cost of project and what additional funds will be needed.
- Former Town Commissioner, and Queenstown Public Works Director, Lane Cole passed away. He served 55 years in the Queenstown VFD and dedicate his time to Queenstown, long after retiring, by assisting in projects. He will be missed!
- The town is working on the budget.
- The developer for the Wheatland's project is Richmond American Homes. They will focus on building the residential component first, then later in the project will build the commercial component.

- The town installed 2 new electronic speed signs to replace the 2 we had stolen several months ago. These are equipped with built in GPS, as well as Apple air tags that the town installed. Signs track number of vehicles and the speeds.

**QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY:** Commissioner Jack Wilson reported

- Budget hearings are scheduled for 5/19, 5/20 & 5/21. No tax increase
- A public hearing was held on the plastic bag ordinance on 5/13
- Upcoming Events- Senior Summit 5/16, Kent Island Days 5/17 and Sunday 5/18 begins the ramp closures on Kent Island

**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:** Major Boardman reported

- Sudlersville has had 795 citations since the beginning of 2025.
- There are currently 3 canines in service.
- A Drone team has been in operation since November. There are 4 pilots, 1 outdoor drone and 2 indoor drones.
- A School Resource Office will be leaving at the end of the school year. We have 2 possible recruits for 2 vacant positions.
- We will have a cadet going to the upcoming academy class and one from Prince Georges County
- A total of 4 will be graduating from the academy in June/July

**OLD BUSINESS**

- No old Business

**NEW BUSINESS**

- No new business

**PRESS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- None

**DISCUSSION OF NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION:**

The next Council of Governments meeting is scheduled for September 10th at 5:30 p.m. and will be hosted by Queen Anne's County at the Liberty Building.

On a motion by Jeff Kiel seconded by Aaron Horney, the Council unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.