



# Board of Carroll County Commissioners

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Westminster, MD 21157  
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## Open Session

### ~ Voting Record ~

Admin

Thursday, January 10, 2019

9:00 AM

County Office Building Rm 311

## I. Call to Order

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Stephen Wantz	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	President	Present	
Ed Rothstein	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Vice President	Present	
Richard Weaver	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Second Vice-President	Present	
Dennis Frazier	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Commissioner	Present	
Eric Bouchat	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Commissioner	Present	

## II. Moment of Silence

## III. Positively Carroll

## IV. Public Comment ~ Item No. V

Several citizens made comment regarding making the change from Commissioner form of Government to Charter Government. Everyone was opposed to Charter Government. Some reasons cited included the costs in making the change, the legislation being proposed by just the County Executive, and higher taxes.

## V. Request to Form a Charter Government Committee

Members of the Board of Commissioners asked the Board to discuss the option of forming a Charter Government Committee as the first step in considering a change in the form of government for Carroll County. County Attorney Tim Burke detailed the process to the Commissioners at the start of the discussion. Forming the Committee, which would then write the Charter, is the first step in a final decision made by Carroll County voters in the future.

The Commissioners exchanged their views as they considered forming a charter government committee and ultimately decided to take time to investigate and learn more about Code Home Rule and Charter forms of government. They determined some of the best information will derive from areas which experienced a similar process.

As a result, county staff will invite Maryland jurisdictions which have experienced a similar process. As a result, county staff will invite Maryland Jurisdiction which recently transitioned to a different government structure to open meetings in Carroll County. The meetings will preferably occur in the evening so citizens can participate in the education process.

1. **Motion To:** direct staff to put together, with a sense of urgency, a plan to bring in other communities and jurisdictions so that the Board can have the opportunity to listen and learn on how they transitioned governments from Commissioner form to other forms of governments

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Ed Rothstein, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Dennis Frazier, Commissioner
<b>AYES:</b>	Wantz, Rothstein, Weaver, Frazier, Bouchat

## VI. Public Comment ~ Item No. VII

None

## VII. Briefing/Discussion/Decision ~ Request Approval to Proceed to Public Hearing - Water and Sewer Master Plan Triennial Update

The Carroll County Water & Sewer Master Plan is required by the State of Maryland to be updated every three years. The plan examines the current water and sewer facilities throughout the county, including all eight municipalities. It also identifies future capital improvement projects to enhance the multiple systems around the county and ensure adequate public services to its citizens.

The Planning Department has been working diligently to finalize the Triennial Update of the Carroll County Water and Sewer Master Plan since the adoption of the 2018 Freedom Community Comprehensive Plan. Staff has received letters, from all eight Municipal Planning Commissions, certifying that this plan is consistent with their Master Plans. Staff has insured that all Amendments to the 2014 Water & Sewer Master Plan were incorporated into the Triennial Update.

The Planning Commission approved to certify that the plan is consistent with the County Master Plan and the 2018 Freedom Community Comprehensive Plan during its December 18, 2018 meeting.

## VIII. Agency Presentations

- A. *Access Carroll*
- B. *Rape Crisis*
- C. *CHANGE, Inc.*
- D. *Target, Inc.*
- E. *Flying Colors of Success*

## IX. Approval/Adoption of Minutes

1. Tuesday, December 18, 2018
2. Thursday, December 20, 2018
3. Thursday, November 29, 2018

## X. Administrative Session ~ Open

The following issues were discussed:

1. Review of draft public agendas for the weeks of January 14, 2019 and January 21, 2019
2. Signing of Documents

1. **Motion To:** close for Pending Litigation

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Richard Weaver, Second Vice-President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ed Rothstein, Vice President
<b>AYES:</b>	Wantz, Rothstein, Weaver, Frazier, Bouchat

## XI. CLOSED ~ Pending Litigation

Upon motion of Commissioner Richard Weaver, second by Commissioner Ed Rothstein, the Board (Commissioners Steve Wantz, Ed Rothstein (COL Ret.), Richard Weaver, Eric Bouchat, and Dennis Frazier) voted unanimously to meet in closed session in accordance with the Annotated Code of Maryland, General Provisions Article 3-305(b)(8), on Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 11:50 AM with Roberta Windham, County Administrator; Tim Burke, County Attorney; and David Gibbs, Esquire to discuss an ongoing litigation regarding county prayer policy. No action was taken.

## XII. Adjourn ~ 11:45 AM

1. **Motion To:** adjourn

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Ed Rothstein, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Dennis Frazier, Commissioner
<b>AYES:</b>	Wantz, Rothstein, Weaver, Frazier, Bouchat