

**Bay Bridge Monitoring Committee**  
**May 23, 2018**  
**Meeting Summary**

The Kent County Bay Bridge Monitoring Committee (BBMC) met on Wednesday, May 23, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the County Commissioners' Hearing Room in the R. Clayton Mitchell, Jr. Government Center in Chestertown, Maryland. The following committee members attended the meeting: Gary DiVito, Ralph Dolinger, Torr Howell, Thomas Tontarski, and William Sutton. BBMC Kent County staff included Amy Moredock, Person of Contact/Planning Director; and Jim Wright, County Engineer.

The meeting summary for April 25, 2018 was accepted by the Committee as presented.

Committee Business:

The Committee, based on observations at the MDOT Public Hearing and information provided at previous meetings, discussed and suggested the County Commissioners take the following actions:

- 1) Express dissatisfaction of the MDOT Public Hearing for the following reasons:
  - There was an overall negative reaction to the meeting; the tone of the audience was resistance;
  - Information was shared via static poster boards; it was a passive information meeting;
  - The State did not share enough information for the public to be able to actively and intelligently engage in a dialogue;
  - There was no connectivity between the information being shared at the stations;
  - Information regarding the infrastructure demands and the suggested routes should have been anticipated and shared by staff; and
  - The public walked away with more questions than answers.
- 2) Request the disclosure of any meeting minutes at the state agency level;
- 3) Request the disclosure of hard dates for when pertinent aspects of the study are to be revealed (dates rather than seasons); and
- 4) Request disclosure of the source data of the destination/origin of study.

Updates/Committee Business:

- Ms. Moredock informed the Committee that she was invited to speak on behalf of the Bay Bridge Monitoring Committee at the Rock Hall Lions Club Meeting on Monday, May 21, 2018. Ms. Moredock said her presentation entailed the Committee's charge and updates about the Study and Committee activities.

Next Step(s):

- Draft an update to the County Commissioners: Ms. Moredock will draft the update for the Committee to review at its June meeting.

The Committee heard public comments from members of the audience which consisted of 3 attendees.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 27, 2018 from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.**

The meeting concluded at 11:30 a.m.