



Economic Development Commission

Meeting Agenda

September 1, 2022

8 a.m.

Via Zoom

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- I. Welcome and Call to Order
- II. Approval of Meeting Minutes – June 16, 2022
- III. Welcome –Chairman Reza Jafari
- IV. Special Guest: Dr. Sharon Pepukayi, Superintendent, Talbot County Public Schools
- V. Chuck Callahan, President, Talbot County Council
- VI. Frank Divilio, Talbot County Council
- VII. Director’s Report – Cassandra Vanhooser
 - Update on Rural Economic Development Grants – Reza Jafari, Scott Warner
 - Proposed “Let’s Talk Business” Speaker Series
 - Waterfowl Festival “Coffee and Conservation” – Nov. 11, 2022
 - Talbot County Economic Development and Tourism Strategic Plan
 - Inclusive Ventures Program
 - Feasibility Study for Visitors Center
 - Officer Elections
 - Bylaws Review and Update
 - Open EDC Position

VIII. Town Reports

Welcome New EDC Member – Rob Straebel, St. Michaels Manager

IX. Comments from Board Members and Guests

X. Maryland Department of Commerce – Nancy LaJoice

XI. Upcoming Meetings

- September 18-21 – IEDC Annual Convention, Oklahoma City
- November 11 – Coffee and Conservation at the Waterfowl Festival
- December 1 – Quarterly EDC Meeting

XII. Adjournment