

Bay Bridge Monitoring Committee
October 28, 2020
Meeting Summary

The Kent County Bay Bridge Monitoring Committee (BBMC) met on Wednesday, October 28, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was livestreamed in the County Commissioners' Hearing Room in the R. Clayton Mitchell, Jr. Government Center in Chestertown, Maryland. The following committee members attended the meeting either virtually or via conference bridge: Ralph Dolinger, Torr Howell, William Sutton, and Thomas Tontarski. BBMC Kent County staff included Bill Mackey, Person of Contact/Planning Director; Jim Wright, County Engineer; and Sandy Adams who clerked the meeting.

The meeting summaries for January 13, 2020, and May 27, 2020, were accepted by the Committee.

The following discussion took place at the meeting:

- Mr. Tontarski said he has not heard, nor seen, any new information for reporting to the Committee.
- Mr. Dolinger said in the past, he has read comments in the County papers pertaining to a third span and also a light rail running from the western shore to Ocean City. He said he believed the comments to be opinions only.
- Mr. Sutton said it is his opinion that things have settled down.
- Mr. Howell said things have been quiet due to Covid and the 2020 Election, and since the paper came out with the idea of a third span near the current structure.
- Mr. Mackey informed the Committee that the Maryland Transportation Authority is very close to publishing The Bay Crossing Study Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). He said when it becomes available, he will forward the document to the Committee.

Committee Business:

- The members agreed that unless new information becomes available, the next quarterly meeting will take place in February 2021.
- The members agreed that meeting summaries will be adopted at the quarterly meetings. However, the members agreed that in order to comply with the Open Meetings Act, a *draft* copy will be posted on the Committee's website within 30 days after the meeting.

There was no public attendance on the conference call.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, February 24, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting concluded at 10:25 a.m.