

Maryland Environmental Trust Board of Trustees
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Date & Time: September 8, 2025, 2:00p.m.
Type: Google Meet & Teleconference

Executive Committee members present: Lori Lynch, Mark Hoffman, Toby Lloyd,
Staff: John Turgeon and Kelly Price (non-voting)
Committee members absent: Gary Burnett
OAG Staff Participant: Cynthia McCann, Roger Medoff

The Meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m.

- 1. Approval of Minutes from June 2nd, 2025.**
- 2. Overview discussion for the Board Meeting Agenda for September 8th, 2025.**

Ms. Lynch asked if there were any questions or discussion regarding the June 2nd *Open Session* Minutes

1. Ms. Lynch asked for a motion to approve the June 2nd *Open Session* Minutes
 - a. Mr. Lloyd moved the request, and Mr. Hoffman provided a second, the Minutes were unanimously approved.
2. Ms. Lynch asked for a motion to approve the June 2nd *Closed Session* Minutes
 - a. Mr. Hoffman moved the request, and Mr. Lloyd provided a second, the Minutes were unanimously approved.

Ms. Lynch asked for an overview of the Board Meeting to take place later today, and Mr. Turgeon reported the following will be presented:

1. The Board Chair's report will be a standard report of operations and will not include any items "out of the ordinary".
2. The Director's Report will focus on the staff work to create the FY 2025 Managing For Results document which is required to be submitted to DNR each year. The report will include information on:
 - a. Statistics of MET activity during FY25
 - b. Staff work plans for FY 2026
 - c. Update on Keep Maryland Beautiful Grants Program

Ms. Lynch made a motion to meet in closed session to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice. Mr. Lloyd seconded the motion. All voted in favor to close the meeting. The meeting moved to closed session at 2:20 p.m.

The meeting was closed on September 8, 2025, at 2:20 p.m. under the provisions of

General Provisions Art. §3-305(b)(7). (To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice). The topic discussed was Item IV.1. on the agenda for the Board's Regular Meeting – the stewardship matter on existing MET conservation easement (MET file #0525IRV00.BACO) designated for a closed session discussion during the regular meeting.

Ms. Lynch moved to reopen the regular session; Mr. Lloyd seconded. All voted in favor. The meeting was reopened at 2:51pm. There was no item for vote by the Executive Committee, and no action was taken.

3. Other business.

Ms. Lynch asked if Mr. Turgeon had any other items for discussion; Mr. Turgeon responded that he did not.

The MET Executive Committee meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

**PRESIDING OFFICER'S WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING ("CLOSING STATEMENT")
UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT (General Provisions Article § 3-305)**

This form has two sides. Complete items 1 – 4:

1. **Recorded vote to close the meeting:** Date: 9/8/25; Time: 2:21pm
Location: Maryland Environmental Trust, 100 Community Place, Crownsville, Maryland;
Motion to close meeting made by: Toby Lloyd
Seconded by Mark Hoffman;
Members in favor: All;
Opposed: none;
Abstaining: none;
Absent: Gary Burnett
Motion carries (carries/rejected).

2. **Statutory authority to close session (check all provisions that apply):**

This meeting will be closed under General Provisions Art. § 3-305(b) only:

(1)___ "To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals"; (2)___ "To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business"; (3)___ "To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto"; (4)___ "To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State"; (5)___ "To consider the investment of public funds"; (6)___ "To consider the marketing of public securities"; (7)___ "To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice"; (8)☒ "To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation"; (9)___ "To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations"; (10)___ "To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans"; (11)___ "To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination"; (12)___ "To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct"; (13)___ "To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter"; (14)___ "Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would

adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process."

3. For each provision checked above, disclosure of the topic to be discussed and the public body's reason for discussing that topic in closed session.

Citation (insert # from above)	Topic	Reason for closed-session discussion of topic
		Consult w/ legal counsel regarding the agenda for the upcoming board meeting involving litigation matters.

4. This statement is made by Lon Lynch, Presiding Officer.