

COUNTY COUNCIL OF WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND

2011 Legislative

Legislative Day No. 07

Resolution No. 51-2011

Introduced by: The President of the Council at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY TO ACQUIRE AN EASEMENT ON 61.776 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, WITHIN THE QUANTICO CREEK RURAL LEGACY AREA FROM RUSSELL COOPER, PHYLLIS M. COOPER AND WAYNE RUSSELL COOPER. THE PROPERTY BEING LOCATED ALONG ROYAL OAK ROAD APPROXIMATELY ONE QUARTER MILE NORTH FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH SANDY HILL ROAD AND DESIGNATED AS TAX MAP 44 PARCEL 218.

WHEREAS, Wicomico County participates in the Rural Legacy program in an effort to preserve the natural resources in the Quantico Creek Area; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 29-2010, the County Council approved a Rural Legacy Grant Agreement with the State of Maryland acting through the Rural Legacy Board in the amount of \$512,252.00; and

WHEREAS, a recommendation has been made to place a protective easement on Parcel 218 on Tax Map 44, containing 61.776 acres, more or less, which is located on prime agricultural and forest lands in the Quantico Creek Legacy Area; and

WHEREAS, the parcel has been designated by the County Council as "Priority 1" for easement acquisition; and

WHEREAS, the parcel is located within the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Targeted Ecological Area. Targeted Ecological Areas are a limited number of areas that rank exceptionally high for ecological criteria and that have a practical potential for preservation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Wicomico County, Maryland that the County Executive be, and is hereby, authorized to acquire the development rights on the aforesaid property located along Royal Oak Road approximately one quarter mile north from its intersection with Sandy Hill Road, being designated as Tax Map 44, Parcel 218, containing 61.776 acres, more or less, for an amount not to exceed One Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$170,000.00), and administrative and closing costs in the amount of approximately \$23,798.25. All funds for this easement acquisition will be provided by the Maryland Rural Legacy Program. No local funds will be utilized for this acquisition.

Done at Salisbury, Maryland, this 5th day of April, 2011.

ATTEST:

COUNTY COUNCIL OF
WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND



Matthew E. Creamer
Council Administrator



Gail M. Bartkovich,
Council President

CERTIFICATION

This Resolution was Adopted , Adopted with Amendments , Failed , Withdraw by the County Council on April 5, 2011.

Certified by 
Matthew E. Creamer, Council Administrator