

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY**  
**WORK SESSION MINUTES**  
**March 10, 2015**

**PRESENT:** Council Members: President Hodge, Vice President McCarthy, Joyce Bowlsbey, Dan Schneckenburger, and George Patchell;

Al Wein, Director of Administration; Jason Allison, County Attorney; Winston Robinson, Director of Finance; Craig Whiteford, Budget Manager; Scott Flanigan, Director of Public Works; David Trolio, Director of Senior Services/Community Transit; Kristy Gilmore, Volunteer Coordinator; James Massey, Council Manager; Terry Hale, Administrative Assistant; members of the press; and members of the public.

**OPEN SESSION – Elk Room**

**9:00 a.m.** – President Hodge called the meeting to order.

**NOTE:** Audio recording of this meeting is available on the County website [www.ccgov.org](http://www.ccgov.org).

**CLOSED SESSION - March 3, 2015**

**11:00 A.M.**

Present: Council Members: President Hodge, Vice President McCarthy, Joyce Bowlsbey, Dan Schneckenburger, and George Patchell; Tari Moore, County Executive; Al Wein, Director of Administration; Eric Sennstrom, Director of Planning and Zoning; Jason Allison, County Attorney; Scott Adams, Cecil County Sheriff; Stephanie Garrity, Health Officer; James Massey, Council Manager; Terry Hale, Administrative Assistant; and Cary Millstein.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to go into Closed Session at 11:00 a.m.

Council Manager Massey stated that pursuant to Maryland Annotated Code, State Government 10-508 (a) (4) to consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State. Council, Counsel, staff and business representative. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice President McCarthy presided after Council President Hodge recused himself. Cary Millstein discussed his proposed business to be located in Cecil County.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Patchell, the Council adjourned the meeting at 12:33 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

On a motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to approve the minutes of the Council work session of March 3, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve the minutes of the Closed Session of March 3, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Presentation – Volunteer Cecil**

David Trolio, Director of Senior Services/Community Transit, presented the Volunteer Cecil program, which was funded by the Governor's Office for Service and Volunteerism. He introduced Krista Gilmore, Volunteer Coordinator, who presented more details about the program that uses an online system for the public to volunteer and nonprofit organizations and agencies to recruit volunteers that they need.

#### **Presentation – County Cost Savings**

Mr. Wein stated that the administration wished to present their record of cost saving measures that have been implemented. Mr. Robinson then presented further detailed examples of cost saving examples such as reduced road paving, delayed maintenance, not funding employee sick leave buy back, and not providing a cost of living or step increase to employees. Mr. Flanigan explained how the priorities were determined in the public works divisions.

#### **Discussion – Meeting with Congressman**

The Council discussed the success of the meeting with Congressman Harris held on March 9, which centered on illicit drugs programs. A joint letter of appreciation will be sent by the Council and administration. Council Members agreed to invite the Sheriff, State's Attorney and Circuit Court Judge to discuss drug enforcement and sentencing. The Council Manager was asked to coordinate their presentations.

#### **Discussion - Regional Heroin Task Force**

The Council discussed the first Regional Heroin Task Force, which is being planned on March 17 at 10 am. The task force is chaired by Lieutenant Governor Rutherford and will bring elected officials and health professionals to discuss the current conditions and possible solutions in dealing with heroin use in the community.

#### **Council Manager Report**

Council Manager Massey reminded Council Members that the Hatem Bridge Work Group meeting has been postponed and will be rescheduled. The Council work session on March 17 will be curtailed so that the Regional Heroin Task Force can begin at 10 a.m. Presentations by the Eastern Shore Conservancy and Watershed Stewards Academy have been scheduled for the work session on March 24. The Chamber of Commerce Legislative Committee has invited Council Members to speak to the members on March 12 and 19.

#### **Council Member Items**

Councilman Patchell attended the rededication of the 911 Center and recognized Richard Brooks and Jim Alfree for their outstanding work.

Vice President McCarthy attended the MACo Legislative Committee where HB 638 Oyster Restoration bill was discussed.

Councilwoman Bowsbey attended the Local Management Board meeting.

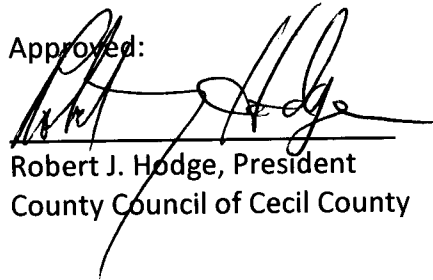
Councilman Schneckenburger attended the Economic Development Commission and expressed his hope for new business prospects for the county.

President Hodge had no comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

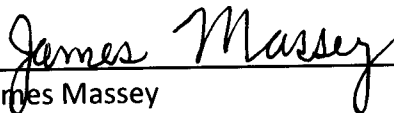
By general consensus, the Council adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Approved:



Robert J. Hodge, President  
County Council of Cecil County

Attest:



James Massey  
Council Manager