

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
WORK SESSION MINUTES
May 12, 2015

PRESENT: Council Members: President Hodge, Vice President McCarthy, Joyce Bowsbey, George Patchell and Dan Schneckenburger; Al Wein, Director of Administration; Jason Allison, County Attorney; Winston Robinson, Director of Finance; Craig Whiteford, Budget Manager; James Massey, Council Manager; Terry Hale, Council 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 at 9:00 a.m.

NOTE: Audio recording of this meeting is available on the County website www.ccgov.org.

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 May 5, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

FY 2016 Budget Deliberation

Council President Hodge led a discussion of proposed budget reductions in the operating and capital budgets. President Hodge discussed the Council's goal to reduce spending in order to keep the same property tax rate.

Mr. Robinson and Mr. Whiteford provided additional details on the effects of suggested changes. The Council agreed on a number of reductions in the budget. However, the Council asked the administration to provide more details on specific items at the next work session. In addition, Councilman Schneckenburger requested Council Members review his list for discussion at the next meeting.

Council Manager Report

Council Manager Massey reminded Council Members about the high school senior awards assemblies. Councilwoman Bowsbey requested that biographical information should be provided for the presentations. Mr. Massey also summarized the logistics for tonight's public hearing on the budget.

Council Member Items

Councilman Schneckenburger stated that he will be attending the law enforcement service at Elkton United Methodist Church and the College Commencement.

Councilwoman Bowsbey attended the Singerly Fire Company Awards Banquet and Local Management Board. She will be attending A Ride with BPAC and College Commencement.


Councilman Patchell and Vice President McCarthy had no comments.

Council President Hodge stated that the next work session of the County Council will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

President Hodge adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Approved:



Robert J. Hodge, President
County Council of Cecil County

Attest:



James Massey
Council Manager