

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
WORK SESSION MINUTES
September 1, 2015

PRESENT: Council Members: President Hodge, Vice President McCarthy, Joyce Bowsbey, George Patchell and Dan Schneckenburger; Tari Moore, County Executive; Al Wein, Director of Administration; Jason Allison, County Attorney; Eric Sennstrom, Director of Planning and Zoning; Winston Robinson, Director of Finance; David Black, GIS Coordinator; Dr. D'Ette Devine, School Superintendent; Lisa Webb, Director of Economic Development; Perry Willis, Cecil County Public Schools; Stephanie Pratt, Human Resources; Alissa Cirillo, Detention Center; 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. and determined a quorum.

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

CLOSED SESSION

August 25, 2015

10:00 a.m.

On motion by Councilwoman Bowsbey, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to convene in closed session, pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, 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; and (7) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter. The motion was approved unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: McCarthy - Y, Bowsbey-Y, Schneckenburger - Y, Patchell- Y, and Hodge - Y.

Present: Council Members: Vice President McCarthy, Councilwoman Bowsbey, Councilman Schneckenburger, Councilman Patchell and President Hodge; Al Wein, Director of Administration; Jason Allison, County Attorney; Eric Sennstrom, Director of Planning and Zoning; Lisa Webb, Director of Economic Development; Stephanie Garrity, Health Officer; Scott Adams, Sheriff; James Massey, Council Manager; Terry Hale, Administrative Assistant; Scott Thorn, Alex Andre, Emily Cohen, and Brian Sailer.

Mr. Thorn discussed his proposed business to be located in Cecil County. No action was taken.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to recess the closed session at 11:25 a.m. The motion was approved unanimously.

Council President Hodge announced that the closed session would be reconvened in the Rising Sun Room.

On motion made by Councilwoman Bowsbey, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to reconvene the closed session at 11:45 a.m. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Council was provided legal advice regarding the proposed business.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to conclude the closed session at 12:50 p.m. The motion was approved unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: McCarthy - Y, Bowsbey-Y, Schneckenburger - Y, Patchell- Y, and Hodge - Y.

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 August 25, 2015. Motion was carried unanimously.

On a motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to approve the minutes of the Council closed session of August 25, 2015. Motion was carried unanimously.

912 Appleton Road Economic Development Memorandum of Understanding

Tari Moore, County Executive, provided a summary of the former Basell property redevelopment as the School of Technology and other economic development opportunities. Dr. Devine, School Superintendent, described the opening of the new School of Technology and its expanded capacity and increased curriculum. She stated that the new school has been recognized by the State for its redevelopment as an educational facility. David Black, GIS Coordinator, provided a schematic of the campus and where possible economic development could be located. Lisa Webb, Director of Economic Development, reported on how the County can work with partnerships in developing this parcel as a possible incubator to grow businesses. Comments and questions ensued.

Employee Wellness Fair

Alissa Cirillo, chair of the Cecil County Employee Wellness Committee, presented the plans for an employee wellness fair that will be held on October 8 at the Administration Building. She stated the importance of providing opportunities for county employees to become knowledgeable about health issues and the opportunities available.

Review of Legislative Agenda

The Council reviewed the agenda for the evening legislative session.

Council President Hodge stated that Bill No. 2015-18 Amendment - Animal Care and Control will be subject to public hearing this evening. He requested that the Council Manager prepare

an amendment regarding a change the impoundment period of dogs from five calendar days to five business days.

Mr. Wein provided comments concerning Bill No. 2015-19 Amendment - Parks and Recreation - Parks Rules and Regulations, which will be introduced tonight. Councilwoman Bowsbey asked whether there was any consideration for the DNR gun safety training classes, which are currently given at a State Park.

Mr. Sennstrom provided information and maps regarding Resolution No. 48-2015 Recertification - Priority Funding Area Map, which will be introduced tonight. Comments and questions ensued.

Council Members commented on Resolution No. 49-2015 Amendment - Policies and Procedures of the Cecil County Council - Expedited Legislation, which will be introduced tonight. The Council discussed the effective date of an expedited bill.

Barbra Smith, Chief of Community Partnership Division of Community Services, provided comments about Resolution No. 50-2015 Supplemental Appropriation - Grant - Human Services Agency - Children in Need of Supervision. She explained how these funds will be used to assist children at risk of involvement in juvenile justice system and their families.

The Council agreed that Resolution No. 42-2015 Amendment - Policies and Procedures of the Cecil County Council - Final Reading of Bills will be allowed to die.

Council Manager Report

Mr. Massey polled Council Members to determine the need for a workshop to discuss Bill No. 2015-18 regarding Animal Control. The Council agreed that a workshop was not necessary unless there were issues raised at the public hearing.

Mr. Massey also announced that a rezoning case, Kevin Taylor, had been scheduled for tonight but was withdrawn by the applicant.

Lt. Governor Boyd Rutherford will be the keynote speaker at the Upper Shore Regional Council retreat being held on September 24 at the Donaldson Brown Center.

Council Members will be receiving a draft of the Consolidated Transportation Plan for Cecil County and the executive summary for the Maryland Horse Park study.

Council Member Items

Councilman Schneckenburger attended a tour of the Port of Baltimore and commented about the new Maersk Shipping Line.

Councilwoman Bowsbey attended the ribbon cutting of Watershed Stewards Academy in back of the Administrative Building and commented on the first graduating class.

Councilman Patchell and Vice President McCarthy had no comments.

President Hodge commented on the economic impact of the Port of Baltimore to Cecil County.

**CLOSED SESSION
10:30 A.M.**

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Roll Call Vote: McCarthy - Y, Bowsbey-Y, Schneckenburger - Y, Patchell- Y, and Hodge - Y.

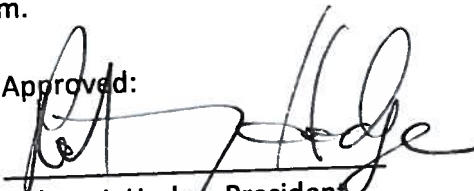
Adjournment

President Hodge adjourned the meeting at 12.00 p.m.

Attest:


James Massey
Council Manager

Approved:


Robert J. Hodge, President
County Council of Cecil County