

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

PRESENT: Council Members: President Robert Hodge, Vice President Alan McCarthy, Joyce Bowsbey, Dan Schneckenburger and George Patchell; Al Wein, Director of Administration; Jason Allison, County Attorney; Winston Robinson, Finance Director; Scott Flanigan, Director of Public Works; 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.

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 November 3, 2015. Motion was carried unanimously.

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Winston Robinson, Director of Finance, provided copies of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2015. In addition, Mr. Robinson provided a document, Reconciliation of original budget to final results FY 2015. Mr. Robinson reviewed end of the year budget for the general fund, wastewater and landfill funds. He provided a comparison between the FY 2015 projection and actual results as of June 30, 2015. He also reviewed the fund balance classifications including non-spendable, restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned. Questions and comments ensued.

Council President Hodge asked if the end of the year figures could be provided sooner than November. Al Wein, Director of Administration, stated that the administration must submit their end of the year figures to the State by November 1 of each year.

Council President Hodge asked for figures for the first quarter of FY 2016.

Amendment No. 1 to Bill No. 2015-23

Scott Flanigan, Director of Finance, presented Amendment No. 1 to Bill No. 2015-23, which proposes to reduce funding for the Lums Road Street Improvement Project by \$200,000 and increase funding for the Replacement of Mechanics Valley Road Bridge over North East Creek Project by \$200,000. Mr. Flanigan explained the pressing need to make this change so that the bid can be awarded for the Mechanics Valley Bridge Project. He stated that the bids for Mechanics Valley Bridge came in higher than the estimate and that it was important not to delay the project. Questions and comments ensued.

In addition, Council Members were provided Amendment No. 3 to Bill No. 2015-22, which replaces Amendment No. 2 to reflect proposed text changes.

Council Manager Report

Mr. Massey reminded the Council that Senator Barbara Mikulski will be speaking at the Cecil County Chamber of Commerce luncheon on November 12. He also stated that the Clean Chesapeake Coalition was urging the State to consider a proposal by Harbor Rock to process sediments at Conowingo Dam into useful building materials.

Council Member Items

There were no comments by Council Members. Al Wein, Director of Administration, requested that Clyde Van Dyke, Director of Parks and Recreation, make a presentation at the next work session regarding the high usage at Calvert Regional Park.

Councilwoman Bowsbey encouraged all Council Members to accept the invitation from the Town of North East to serve as judges for their Christmas Parade on December 5.

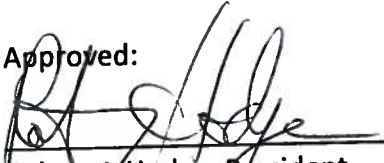
Adjournment

President Hodge adjourned the meeting at 10:54 a.m.

Attest:


James Massey
Council Manager

Approved:


Robert J. Hodge, President
County Council of Cecil County