

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES
LSD 2015-09
May 5, 2015

The County Council of Cecil County met in legislative session at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elk Room, Elkton, MD. The following members of the Council were present:

Robert Hodge, Council President
Dr. Alan McCarthy, Vice President
Joyce Bowsbey, Council Member
Dan Schneckenburger, Council Member
George Patchell, Council Member

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the County Council of Cecil County of May 5, 2015 was called to order by President Hodge at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

The Council observed a moment of silence.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES

The Council presented proclamations to commemorate Cecil County Tourism Month and National Safe Boating Week.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve the minutes of April 21, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Latisha Spurlock, Middletown, DE, commented on the Animal Care and Control Oversight Commission meeting.

Diane Carabetta, Perryville, commented on donating to the school system through the tax return forms and Penn State online classrooms.

Tammy Pollard, Elkton, commented on the Animal Care and Control Oversight Commission meeting.

Daniel Mitchell, Newark, DE, commented on the Animal Care and Control Oversight Commission meeting.

Joe Carabetta, Perryville, commented on the Animal Care and Control Oversight Commission meeting and road conditions on Carpenter's Point Road.

Harold McCanick, McKinneytown, commented on the Animal Care and Control Oversight Commission meeting and repeated a speech that he had made at an earlier meeting regarding taxes.

PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Schneckenburger commented on the Animal Care and Control Oversight Commission meeting, congratulated the Tourism Commission and Sandy Turner, and commented on today's tour of the School of Technology.

Councilwoman Bowsbey attended the Expressions of Healing art exhibit, sponsored by Upper Bay Counseling and Support Services, and encouraged Council Members and the public to go to the exhibit.

Councilman Patchell attended the Maryland Volunteer Recruitment Day and spoke to members of the Singerly Fire Company.

Vice President McCarthy thanked the audience for attending.

Council President Hodge encouraged the public to support the plant sale at the School of Technology.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 18-2015 Roads - Renaming - Eugene's Way

A Resolution to rename an unnamed road "Eugene's Way", which is off of Willard Drive in North East.

On motion made by Councilwoman Bowsbey, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 18-2015.

Roll Call Vote: McCarthy-Y, Bowsbey-Y, Schneckenburger-Y, Patchell-Y, Hodge-Y. The motion was carried unanimously.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 28-2015 Tax Credit - Historic Property - Cross Keys Tavern

A Resolution to approve a property tax credit of 10% of the documented expenses spent by the owner-taxpayer for the restoration and preservation of Cross Keys Tavern, a historic designated structure in Cecil County.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 28-2015.

Roll Call Vote: McCarthy-Y, Bowsbey-Y, Schneckenburger-Y, Patchell-Y, Hodge-Y. The motion was carried unanimously.

CALL FOR FINAL READING OF BILLS

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Bill No. 2015-04 Amendment - Zoning Code - Floodplain District

An Act to amend the Zoning Code Ordinance, Article XI, Part III Floodplain District; and includes changes in definition of historic structure, size of accessory structure in certain zones, application variances for historic structures; and updates version of Flood Insurance Study used.

The Bill was introduced on March 17, 2015 and public hearing held on April 21, 2015.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve Bill No. 2015-04.

Roll Call Vote: McCarthy-Y, Bowsbey-Y, Schneckenburger-Y, Patchell-Y, Hodge-Y. The motion was carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Cecil County Public Schools - Budget Amendment #18

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to approve budget amendment #18.

Roll Call Vote: McCarthy - Y, Bowsbey – Y, Schneckenburger - Y, Patchell – Y, Hodge - Y. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

President Hodge adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m. by general consensus.

The next Council Legislative Session is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, 2015 in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton, Maryland.

Approved:

Robert Hodge
President

Attest:

James Massey
Council Manager