

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES
LSD 2015-24
December 15, 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 Bowlsbey, 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 December 15, 2015 was called to order by President Hodge at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by James Taylor, Boy Scout.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

President Hodge led the Council in a moment of silence.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to approve the legislative agenda of December 15, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Resolution No. 62-2015 Amendment - Personnel Policies and Procedures

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

A Resolution to amend certain sections of the Cecil County Personnel Policies and Procedures, Section HR-02B Employment Types, Section HR-03A Pay Structures; Section HR-04A Payroll Period; Section HR-04B Overtime, Section HR-04C Holiday Pay; Section HR-04D Shift Differential; HR-012C Definitions; and Glossary.

Notice of the public hearing was published on December 2, 2015 and December 9, 2015.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided comments.

There were no questions or comments from Council Members.

Council President Hodge opened the public hearing for public comments.

Harold McCanick, Elk Neck, provided comments.

Council President Hodge concluded the public hearing and announced that final consideration of this Resolution will be held on January 5, 2016.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve the legislative session minutes of December 1, 2015 as presented. Motion was carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Frances Bowman, Perryville, thanked the County for budget support of the schools and the benefits as a result of the additional funding.

Harold McCanick, Elk Neck, commented on the property management services, Stevenson Road bridge project, and proposed sports complex on Williams Road.

PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Schneckenburger attended the MACo winter conference on Thursday with Councilwoman Bowsbey and commented on possible State corrections reform. He also attended the Rising Sun and Elkton holiday events.

Councilwoman Bowsbey wished everyone a merry Christmas and happy new year.

Councilman Patchell attended Union Hospital's legislative breakfast.

Vice President McCarthy commented that this was the last legislative session of 2015 and wished everyone happy holidays.

Council President Hodge wished everyone a merry Christmas and happy new year.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 65-2015 Supplemental Appropriation - Maryland School for the Blind

A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 in order to provide an additional appropriation of \$5,585 for the Maryland School for the Blind budget within the General Fund.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided introductory remarks about this legislation. There were no questions or comments.

Introduced, read first time, order posted on December 15, 2015 and scheduled for consideration on January 5, 2016.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 66-2015 Supplemental Appropriation - Sheriff's Office - Grants - Sex Offenders Registry

A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 in order to provide a total of \$5,250 in additions to the General Fund Grants Budget awarded to the Sheriff's Office – Law Enforcement from the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to update IT equipment in order to maintain substantial compliance with the federal Sex Offender Registration, Notification and Apprehension Act.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided introductory remarks about this legislation. There were no questions or comments.

Introduced, read first time, order posted on December 15, 2015 and scheduled for consideration on January 5, 2016.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 67-2015 Property Management Enterprise Fund - 107 Chesapeake Blvd.

A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 in order to create a department with two divisions and establish a revenue and expenditure budget within the Property Management Enterprise Fund Budget.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided introductory remarks about this legislation. Questions and comments ensued.

Introduced, read first time, order posted on December 15, 2015 and scheduled for consideration on January 5, 2016.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 68-2015 Refunding Bonds of 2016

A Resolution to authorize and empower Cecil County, Maryland to borrow, from time to time, not more than Nineteen Million Three Hundred Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$19,385,000) and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale of its general obligation bonds in one or more series, authorized by Section 19-207 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (2013 Replacement Volume), such bonds to be sold and issued for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding general obligation bonds of the County in order to realize savings to the County in the total cost of debt service; to empower the County Executive to execute and deliver one or more executive orders prior to issuing the bonds in order to fix, prescribe and determine certain matters relating to such bonds and the sale thereof, as hereinafter described; to provide for the levy and collection of taxes in rate and amount sufficient, together with funds from other sources, to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as they mature; and to provide for and determine certain matters in connection with the sale, issuance and delivery of such bonds.

Winston Robinson, Finance Director, provided introductory remarks about this legislation. Council questions and comments ensued.

Introduced, read first time, order posted on December 15, 2015 and scheduled for consideration on January 5, 2016.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 69-2015 Appointment - Board of Parks and Recreation - Bernard Brown

A Resolution to confirm the reappointment by the County Executive of Bernard Brown III to the Board of Parks and Recreation; term to expire on December 31, 2018.

There were no questions or comments.

Introduced, read first time, order posted on December 15, 2015 and scheduled for consideration on January 5, 2016.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 70-2015 Appointment - Board of Library Trustees - Kennard Wiggins Jr.

A Resolution to confirm the reappointment of Kennard Wiggins Jr. to the Cecil County Board of Library Trustees, term to expire on January 5, 2021.

There were no questions or comments.

Introduced, read first time, order posted on December 15, 2015 and scheduled for consideration on January 5, 2016.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 71-2015 Roads - Truck Restriction - Stevenson Road

A Resolution approving the implementation of a 35-ton Gross Vehicle Weight Rating limit on a portion of Stevenson Road.

Scott Flanigan, Public Works Director, provided introductory remarks about this legislation.

There were no questions or comments.

Introduced, read first time, order posted on December 15, 2015 and scheduled for consideration on January 5, 2016.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 63-2015 Supplemental Appropriation - Grants - State's Attorney's Office - Victim Witness Coordinator

A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 by \$42,750 in order to provide \$25,000 in additional grant funds to the General Fund Grants Budget awarded to the States Attorneys' Office by the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention and to provide \$17,750 from fund balance to provide expenditure authority for an additional full-time Victim Witness Coordinator position.

The Resolution was introduced and posted on December 1, 2015.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, commented on the resolution.

Councilwoman Bowsbey introduced Amendment No. 1 to Resolution No. 63-2015.

**AMENDMENT NO. 1
TO RESOLUTION NO. 63-2015**

Introduced by: Councilwoman Bowsbey

On page 1, under Synopsis, line 2, delete "\$42,750" and insert "\$25,000".

On page 1, under Synopsis, lines 4-5, delete the following:

"and to provide \$17,750 from fund balance to provide expenditure authority"

On page 1, under Synopsis, line 5, delete "full time".

On page 2, lines 13-15, delete the following:

"The addition of \$17,750 from fund balance to provide expenditure authority within the States Attorneys' Office to support the Victim Witness Coordinator as a full-time position for District Court. The position would begin on or about January 1, 2016 (calculation of County funds needed assume six months of employment) and will be eligible for full County benefits. The grant would off-set the salary and benefits partially in FY16 until fully expended."

On page 2, lines 19-20, delete the following:

"and \$17,750 from fund balance".

On page 2, line 20, delete "full-time".

On page 2, lines 24-25, delete the following:

"and to appropriate \$17,750 of fund balance"

On page 2, line 25, delete "County" and insert "OR PART TIME".

On motion made by Councilwoman Bowsbey, seconded by Vice President McCarthy, the Council moved to approve Amendment No. 1 to Resolution No. 63-2015.

Roll call vote: McCarthy - Y, Bowsbey - Y, Schneckenburger - N, Patchell - Y, Hodge - Y. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 to 1. Councilman Schneckenburger was opposed.

On motion made by Councilwoman Bowsbey, seconded by Vice President McCarthy, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 63-2015 as amended.

Roll call vote: McCarthy - Y, Bowsbey - Y, Schneckenburger - N, Patchell - Y, Hodge - Y. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 to 1. Councilman Schneckenburger was opposed.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 64-2015 Appointment - Board of Parks and Recreation - George Raley and Matthew Morris

A Resolution to confirm the reappointment by the County Executive of George Raley and Matthew Morris to the Board of Parks and Recreation; term to expire on December 31, 2018.

The Resolution was introduced and posted on December 1, 2015.

There were no comments or questions.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 64-2015.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Rezoning Case

File: 2015-08 – Applicant: Complete Recycling Group LLC. Property Location: West side of Baron Road, West side of Leslie Road, North East, MD 21901. Request: Request to rezone 124.4196 acres from Urbanized Residential to Heavy Industrial . Election District: 5, Tax Map: 25, Parcels: 381, 440, 382. Property Owner: Complete Recycling Group LLC, Richard Polansky. Presently Zoned: UR, Requested Zoning: M2

On motion by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve the application of Complete Recycling Group to rezone 124.4196 acres from Urbanized Residential to Heavy Industrial based on a mistake in the zoning classification of the property during the last comprehensive rezoning.

Roll call vote: McCarthy - Y, Bowsbey - Y, Schneckenburger - Y, Patchell - Y, Hodge - Y. The motion was approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

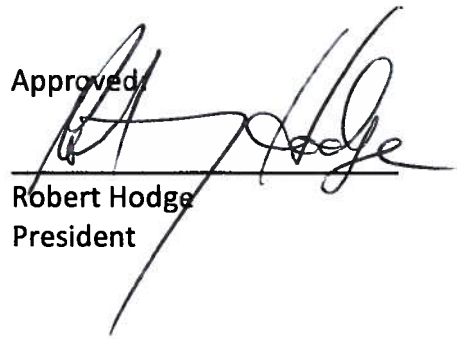
President Hodge adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m. by general consensus.

The next Council Legislative Session is scheduled for Tuesday, January 5, 2016 in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton, Maryland.

Attest:


James Massey, Council Manager

Approved:


Robert Hodge
President