

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY  
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES  
LSD 2014-06  
April 01, 2014**

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:

Dr. Alan McCarthy, Vice President  
Joyce Bowsbey, Council Member  
Michael Dunn, Council Member  
Diana Broomell, Council Member  
Robert J. Hodge, President

**NOTE:** Audio recording of this meeting is available on the County website [www.ccgov.org](http://www.ccgov.org).

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the County Council of Cecil County for April 01, 2014 was called to order by President Robert Hodge at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

The Council observed a moment of silence.

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

On motion made by, Council Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to amend the agenda to add a special presentation. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 09-2014** – Amendment – Council Policies and Procedures – Audience Participation

**Public Comments in Support and Opposition**

Michael W. Dawson, Perryville, spoke in opposition of the resolution.

David Neff, Conowingo, spoke in opposition of the resolution.

Bill DeFreitas, Elkton, spoke in opposition of the resolution.

John McDaniel, Cherry Hill, spoke in favor.

Joe Carabetta, Perryville, commented on the resolution.

Valerie Falcioni, North East, commented on the resolution.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 13-2014** – Cecil County Strategic Plan FY 2015-2019

County Executive, Moore recognized members of the Strategic Plan Advisory Network. Al Wein, Director of Administration, introduced the facilitator, Dr. Diane Lane, who provided information relevant to Resolution No. 13-2014.

### **Public Comments in Support and Opposition**

Dan Schneckenger, Fair Hill, spoke in favor.

Ken Wiggins, Elkton, spoke in favor.

Wyatt Wallace, Perryville, spoke in favor.

David Neff, Conowingo, spoke in favor.

Diane Carabetta, Perryville, commented on the resolution.

Joe Carabetta, Perryville, commented on the resolution.

Pat Folk, Elkton, spoke in favor.

Justin Charles, Elkton, commented on the resolution.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion made by Council Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2014 Council Legislative meeting, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Frank and Monique Phillips, Elkton, commented on masonry mail receptacles in the right of way.

David Neff, Conowingo, spoke in support of the Cecil County Public Schools budget.

Josh Mangold, Conowingo, spoke in support of the Cecil County Public Schools budget.

Kevin Dodson, Perryville, commented on Bill No. 2014-15.

Anthony Larkin, Fair Hill, spoke in support of the Cecil County Public Schools budget.

Chondra Sheldon, Elkton, spoke in support of the Cecil County Public Schools budget.

Dean Geracimos, Chesapeake City, commented on indoor sports complex and on the County being anti-business.

Joe Carabetta, Perryville, commented on snow removal by the County, deferred sewage hook-up fees and Parks and Recreation.

Diane Carabetta, Perryville, commented on a deceased neighbor and the Cody G. Richardson 5K Run in Perryville.

### **PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Dunn had no comments.

Vice President McCarthy had no comments.

Councilwoman Broomell reminded the public of the meeting with Ross Peddicord on April 8 at 6:30 regarding the proposed Maryland Horse Park System. Ms. Broomell commented on the Local Drug and Alcohol Council and letter to the editor by Kathryn Butanis.

Councilwoman Bowsbey attended the Tourism Partnership Appreciation Breakfast and shared the certificate that the Council received from them on behalf of the County. Ms. Bowsbey attended the Citizen of the Year Banquet, which recognized Joe and Judy Tanner.

President Hodge recognized all the volunteers who work on behalf of Cecil County.

## **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Bill No. 2014-13** – Amendment – Board of Education – Perryville High School Track Replacement. A bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 in order to increase the expenditure authority for the Cecil County Board of Education allocation within the General Fund, to provide for a \$250,000 front-funded grant to be expended for the Perryville High School Track Replacement project.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, and Winston Robinson, Director of Finance, provided information relevant to the bill. Discussion ensued.

President Hodge advised the public that Bill No. 2014-13 would be scheduled for a public hearing April 15, 2014 and consideration at the May 6, 2014 Council Legislative meeting.

## **INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 18-2014** – Appointment – Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board. A Resolution to confirm the appointment by the County Executive of Todd Edgecomb to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board, to fill the vacancy of Ron Graybeal term to expire March 30, 2017.

Mr. Wein provided information relevant to the resolution. Discussion ensued.

President Hodge advised the public that Resolution No. 18-2014 would be scheduled for consideration at the April 15, 2014 Council Legislative meeting.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 19-2014** – Appointment – Commission on Aging. A Resolution to confirm the County Executive's appointment of Diane Zalewski to the Cecil County Commission on Aging.

President Hodge advised the public that Resolution No. 19-2014 would be scheduled for consideration at the April 15, 2014 Council Legislative meeting.

## **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS**

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 12-2014** Electrical fees. A resolution establishing new fees related to electrical permits, electrical licensing, electrical examination, appeals, special inspections, proceeding without proper inspections or permits, and late fees, in accordance §191-19 of the Cecil County Code.

On motion made by Councilwoman Broomell, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to postpone consideration and schedule a public hearing on the resolution.

Motion was carried by a vote of 4 to 1, with Vice President McCarthy opposed.

President Hodge advised the public that Resolution No. 12-2014 would be scheduled for a public hearing April 15, 2014 and consideration on May 6, 2014.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 14-2014** Appointment—Weed Control Board. A Resolution to confirm the appointment by the County Executive of William Ewing and Peter Rupp; and to confirm the reappointment of Mark Smith, Anthony James Calao, Charles Robinson, David Hollenbaugh, Dan Webber, and Michael Scheeler to the Cecil County Weed Control Board for a one (1) year term, to expire April 2015.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 14-2014.

Roll Call Vote: McCarthy – Y, Bowsbey – Y, Dunn – Y, Broomell – Y, Hodge – Y. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 15-2014** Appointment—Adult Public Guardianship Review Board. A Resolution to confirm the appointment by the County Executive of Dianne Fox and Kathy Allen to the Cecil County Adult Public Guardianship Review Board for three (3) year terms, respectively, to expire April 2017.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 15-2014.

Roll Call Vote: McCarthy – Y, Bowsbey – Y, Dunn – Y, Broomell – Y, Hodge – Y. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 16-2014** Appointment—Local Development Council. A Resolution to confirm the appointment by the County Executive of Thomas “Eric” Morsicato to the Cecil County Local Development Council for a four (4) year term, to expire April 2018.

Mr. Wein provided information relevant to Resolution No. 16-2014.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 16-2014.

Roll Call Vote: McCarthy – Y, Bowsbey – Y, Dunn – Y, Broomell – Y, Hodge – Y. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 17-2014** Appointment—Board of Parks and Recreation. A Resolution to confirm the appointment by the County Executive of Traci Bauguess to the Board of Parks and Recreation for a three (3) year term, to expire December 2017.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 17-2014.

Roll Call Vote: McCarthy – Y, Bowsbey – Y, Dunn – Y, Broomell – Y, Hodge – Y. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Hodge adjourned the meeting at 8:29 p.m. by general consensus.

The next Council Legislative Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 15, 2014 in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton.

Approved:

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Robert Hodge  
Council President

Attest:

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James Massey  
Council Manager