

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY**  
**LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES**  
**LSD 2016-16**  
**August 16, 2016**

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](http://www.ccgov.org).

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the County Council of Cecil County of August 16, 2016 was called to order by President Hodge at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Council President Hodge led the Council in a moment of silence.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve the legislative agenda of August 16, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Bill No. 2016-16 Compensation for County Council Members**

An Act to enact a new Section of Chapter 21 County Council, to be titled Section 21-3 Compensation of Council Members, of the Code of Cecil County, as amended; to set the compensation for County Council Members to \$27,000 as of December 3, 2018.

The Bill was introduced on July 19, 2016, and scheduled for public hearing on August 16, 2016.

Council President Hodge provided a summary of the legislation.

There were no Council questions or comments.

Council President Hodge opened the public hearing for public comments:

Kathy Hurd Jagers, Rising Sun, spoke in opposition to the Bill.

Joe Tropp, Earleville, spoke in opposition to the Bill.

Josh Rhoades, Elkton, spoke in opposition to the Bill.  
Kimberly Rhoades, Elkton, spoke in opposition to the Bill.  
Bob Willick, Rising Sun, spoke in opposition to the Bill. He presented 300 petitions in opposition to the Resolution.

Council President Hodge concluded the public hearing on Bill No. 2016-16 and announced that final consideration of this Bill will be held on September 6, 2016.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Bill No. 2016-17 Compensation and Allowances for County Executive**

An Act to enact a new Section of the Code of Cecil County to be titled Chapter 22, County Executive, and new section, 22-1 Compensation of County Executive, in order to set the compensation and allowances for County Executive to \$100,000 and eligibility for employee group insurance coverage, as of December 3, 2016.

The Bill was introduced on July 19, 2016, and scheduled for public hearing on August 16, 2016.

Council President Hodge provided a summary of the legislation.

There were no Council questions or comments.

Council President Hodge opened the public hearing for public comments:

Josh Rhoades, Elkton, spoke in opposition to the Bill.  
Bob Willick, Rising Sun, spoke in opposition to the Bill. He presented 300 petitions in opposition to the Resolution.

Kimberly Rhoades, Elkton, spoke in opposition to the Bill.

Kennard Wiggins, Perryville, spoke in support of the Bill.

Kathy Hurd Jagers, Rising Sun, spoke in opposition to the Bill.

Bob Meffley, Earleville, provided comments.

Helene Kedziora, Chesapeake City, spoke in opposition to the Bill.

The Council also received several messages by telephone and email in opposition to the Bill.

Council President Hodge concluded the public hearing on Bill No. 2016-17 and announced that final consideration of this Bill will be held on September 6, 2016.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to approve the minutes of the legislative session of August 2, 2016 as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

## **PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Schneckenburger stated that he will be attending the MACo summer conference and commented on the value of meeting with other elected officials and State administrative officials. He also attended and assisted in the Harts Church Peach Festival.

Councilwoman Bowsbey commented that she reported on her activities during the work session.

Councilman Patchell and Vice President McCarthy had no comments.

Council President Hodge thanked the audience for attending and expressing their opinions on legislation.

## **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

### **Bill No. 2016-19 Budget Transfer - Capital Budget - Historical Society and Arts Council**

A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, to transfer the bond expenditure authority in the amount of \$61,011 within the Facilities Maintenance General Capital Projects Fund from three completed projects (Courthouse Roof Replacement(58023), Construct Courthouse Sally Port(58024) & Courthouse Phase II Renovation Projects(58022); and utilize the unspent bond funds to further the project to renovate the Historical Society and Arts Council(58040).

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided introductory comments about this legislation. Council questions and comments ensued.

Introduced, read first time and posted on August 16, 2016. The public hearing for Bill No. 2016-19 will be advertised and scheduled on the Council legislative session of September 20, 2016.

## **INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

### **Resolution No. 44-2016 Termination - Agricultural Land Preservation District - Estate of Douglas B. McGlothlin Sr.**

A Resolution to release and terminate the Agricultural Land Preservation District established under the provisions of COMAR 15.15.01.04 on February 14, 2007 for a 94 acre property owned by Douglas B. McGlothlin and McGlothlin Family Investment Partnership, LP at 325 McCauley Road (Tax Map 16, Grid 3 Parcel 6 and 196), which is recorded among the Land Records of Cecil County in liber 2295, folio 385.

Steve O'Connor, Zoning Administrator, provided introductory comments about this legislation. Council questions and comments ensued.

Introduced, read first time, and order posted on August 16, 2016 and scheduled for consideration on September 6, 2016

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 45-2016 Termination - Agricultural Land Preservation District - John Trimble Milburn Jr.**

A Resolution to release and terminate the Agricultural Land Preservation District established under the provisions of COMAR 15.15.01.04 on February 14, 2007 for an 80.114 acre property owned by John Trimble Milburn Jr. on the west side of Little Elk Creek Road (Tax Map 6, Grid 19 Parcel 68), which is recorded among the Land Records of Cecil County in Liber 2295, folio 372.

Steve O'Connor, Zoning Administrator, provided introductory comments about this legislation.

There were no Council questions or comments.

Introduced, read first time, and order posted on August 16, 2016 and scheduled for consideration on September 6, 2016

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 46-2016 Appointment—Local Development Council - April Sumpter**

A Resolution to confirm the appointment by the County Executive of April Sumpter to the Cecil County Local Development Council for the video lottery for a four (4) year term, to expire on September 6, 2020.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided introductory comments about this legislation.

There were no Council questions or comments.

Introduced, read first time, and order posted on August 16, 2016 and scheduled for consideration on September 6, 2016

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 47-2016 Supplemental Appropriation - Information Technology Internal Service Fund - Detention Center - Wi Fi**

A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 in order to provide the Information Technology Internal Services Fund Operating Expense Budget with \$115,000 of capital expenditure authority; and \$5,750 of operating revenue and expense appropriation authority to install Wi-Fi at the Detention Center, which will result in the need to appropriate \$5,750 of the fund balance in the General Fund to provide the departmental expenditure by the Detention Center for the depreciation of the asset in first year.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided introductory comments about this legislation. He also stated that he provided the Council with a cost and design study by Skyline Technology Solutions.

Council questions and comments ensued. Council President Hodge requested that this item be included in the next work session for additional information. In addition, he asked that Major Rudy attend and provide additional clarifications.

Introduced, read first time, and order posted on August 16, 2016 and scheduled for consideration on September 6, 2016

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS**

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

**Resolution No. 41-2016 Appointment - Local Government Justice Reinvestment Commission - Matthew Barrett**

A Resolution to appoint Matthew Barrett to the Local Government Justice Reinvestment Commission.

The Resolution was introduced and posted on August 2, 2016.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 41-2016.

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. 42-2016 Appointment - Board of Library Trustees - Joanne Morton**

A Resolution to confirm the appointment of Joanne Morton to the Cecil County Board of Library Trustees, term to expire on March 5, 2018.

The Resolution was introduced and posted on August 2, 2016.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 42-2016.

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. 43-2016 Appointment - Local Development Council - Russell Milam**

A Resolution to confirm the reappointment by the County Executive of Russell Milam to the Cecil County Local Development Council for the video lottery to a four (4) year term, to expire August 16, 2020.

The Resolution was introduced and posted on August 2, 2016.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilman Schneckenburger, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 43-2016.

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

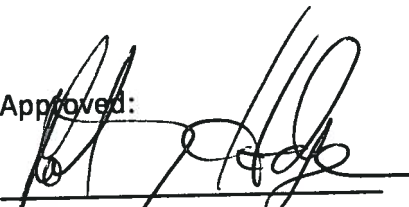
President Hodge adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

The next Council Legislative Session is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2016 in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton, Maryland.

Attest:

  
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James Massey  
Council Manager

Approved:

  
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Robert Hodge  
President