

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
WORK SESSION MINUTES
April 15, 2014**

PRESENT: Council Members: President Hodge, Vice President Alan McCarthy, Joyce Bowsbey, Michael Dunn and Diana Broomell; County Executive Tari Moore; Director of Administration Al Wein; County Attorney Jason Allison; Director of Permits and Inspections Patrick Conway; Director of Public Works Scott Flanigan; Council Manager James Massey; Council Assistant Teri Birney members of the press, and members of the public.

OPEN SESSION – Elk Room

9:00 a.m. – President Hodge called the meeting to order.

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 Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve the work session minutes of April 1, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Review of State Legislation Log

The Council reviewed the State legislative log. The Council agreed to request that the County Executive review options to counteract HB 453, which takes away local government authority to approve the location of community housing. Discussion and comments ensued.

Review of legislative agenda

The Council reviewed the legislative agenda for April 15, 2014. Pat Conway, Director of Permits and Inspections, provided information regarding Bill No. 2014-09. Discussion ensued.

Scott Flanigan, Director of Department of Public Works, and Phil Musik, Chief of Engineering and Construction, provided information regarding Bill No. 2014-14. Discussion ensued.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided information regarding Resolution No. 20-2014.

Councilwoman Broomell provided information relevant to Resolution 09-2014. Discussion ensued.

Council Manager Report

Council Manager Massey polled Council Members about any additional budget information or presentations that they would like. The Council confirmed that the public hearing on the County budget will be held in the Elk Room on April 29 at 7:00 p.m., and accommodations for overflow in the County cafeteria area. The County Executive will host a NACo delegation from Texas counties on May 9. The Broadband Task Force will meet on April 16 at 6:30 p.m. The Independent Audit Selection Committee is reviewing responses for the County's RFP. Agenda items for the next work session include the Maryland Commission on Correctional Standards award to the Sheriff's Office, an update on natural gas service by Chesapeake Utilities, a presentation by the Upper Shore Regional Council, and a financial report for the third quarter fiscal projections for FY 2014. Cecil County Public Library is celebrating National Library Week.

Council Member Items

Councilwoman Broomell attended the tour of the Cecil County Detention Center and suggested that a Court Commissioner should be located at the site. She also attended a Recovery Rally in Rockville and Eagle Scout ceremony for Devon Colflesh. Ms. Broomell commented on an article in The Guardian, the Horse Park meeting, cancellation of the Drug and Alcohol meeting, Harford County Council auditor, and a reply to the Governor's letter concerning the local Drug and Alcohol Council. She proposed to invite Mitzi Germany, retired alcohol and drug counselor at the Detention Center, to speak to the Council. The Council requested a written proposal from her.

Councilwoman Bowsbey attended the tour of the Cecil County Detention Center, the Horse Park meeting, the Commission on Aging board meeting, the Department of Aging Volunteer Recognition Luncheon, the BEPAC Anniversary Dinner, and the Rising Sun Little League Parade and Car Show.

Councilman Dunn commented on the car accident of former Rising Sun Mayor, Tom Mumey.

Council Vice President McCarthy attended the tour of the Cecil County Detention Center, the Volunteer Luncheon, the Awards Banquet at Cecilton Fire Company, the Awards Banquet at Hacks Point Fire Company, and the BEPAC dinner.

Council President Hodge had no comments.

CLOSED SESSION

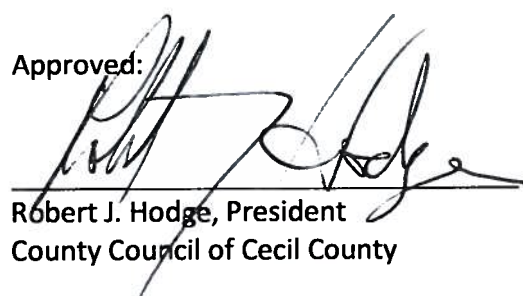
10:10 a.m.

On motion made by Vice President McCarthy, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to convene in Closed Session pursuant to the Maryland Annotated Code, State Government, 10-508 (a) (8) to consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation. Council, Counsel and staff.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion made by Councilwoman Bowsbey, seconded by Vice President McCarthy, the Council moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

Approved:



Robert J. Hodge, President
County Council of Cecil County

Attest:



James Massey
Council Manager