

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
WORK SESSION MINUTES As Amended
June 21, 2016

PRESENT: Council Members: President Robert Hodge, Joyce Bowsbey, George Patchell and Dan Schneckenburger; Al Wein, Director of Administration; Eric Sennstrom, Director of Planning and Zoning; Scott Flanigan, Director of Public Works; Patrick Conway, Director of Permits and Inspections; Winston Robinson, Director of Finance; Rebecca Anderson, Budget Manager; James Massey, Council Manager; Terry Hale, Council Assistant; members of the press; and members of the public. Vice President McCarthy arrived at 10:00 a.m.

OPEN SESSION – Elk Room

9:00 a.m. – Council President Hodge called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and determined a quorum.

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

Approval of Minutes

On a motion made by Councilman Schneckenburger, seconded by Councilwoman Bowsbey, the Council moved to approve the minutes of the Council work session of June 7, 2016. Motion was carried by a vote of 4 to 0. Vice President McCarthy was not present.

Consolidated Transportation Plan

Mr. Wein reviewed correspondence from the State Highway Administration that indicated that the State had conducted a traffic study at the I-95 interchange at MD 222. Their results showed that this interchange can accommodate approximately 50% more traffic over existing volume. Council questions and comments ensued.

Mr. Massey announced that the Cecil County Consolidated Transportation Plan meeting will be held on Friday, September 30, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building. During the afternoon, County officials will meet with the Cecil County Delegation to discuss legislative initiatives.

Water Quality Trading Advisory Board

Mr. Wein summarized the issue that no rural counties, eastern shore counties or representatives of the Clean Chesapeake Coalition were appointed members of the Water Quality Trading Advisory Committee. Mr. Massey provided additional information that other counties were voicing their concerns to Secretary Grumbles and Secretary Bartenfelder. After discussion, the Council agreed by consensus to send a letter of concern to the Secretaries. The County Executive will be asked to cosign the letter.

Conowingo Dredging Project

Mr. Massey reported on the State's intention to solicit a Request for Information on the potential of Conowingo dredging projects. He stated that the State is taking a proactive role in developing a plan to dredge, which may lead to requirements that Exelon will address during their relicensing process. Council comments and questions ensued.

Review of Legislative Agenda

Council President Hodge led a review of the legislative agenda.

A public hearing for Bill No. 2016-11 Amendment - Electrical Code is scheduled for tonight's legislative session. Mr. Conway provided introductory remarks. Council questions and comments ensued. He requested an amendment to change text of the bill to indicate that the Director of Permits and Inspections and Electrical Board will recommend changes to the Electrical Code.

A public hearing for Bill No. 2016-12 Amendment - Energy Conservation Standards is also scheduled for tonight's legislative session. Mr. Conway provided introductory remarks. There were no Council comments or questions.

Mr. Conway provided comments on Resolution No. 27-2016 Appointment - Electrical Inspection Agency - Bay Area Inspection Agency and American Inspection Agency, Inc., which will be introduced at tonight's meeting. Council questions and comments ensued.

Mr. Sennstrom provided comments on Resolution No. 28-2016 Appointment - Historic District Commission - Michael Dawson, which will be introduced at tonight's meeting. Council questions and comments ensued.

Resolution No. 29-2016 Appointment—Department of Social Services Board - Dianne Fox and Judith Cox, will also be introduced at tonight's session. There were no comments or questions.

Mr. Sennstrom provided comments on Resolution No. 30-2016 Appointment—Planning Commission - Bill Miners and Wyatt Wallace, which will be introduced at tonight's session. There were no Council comments or questions.

Resolution No. 31-2016 Appointment—Board of Appeals - Willard Whiteman, will be introduced at tonight's session. There were no comments or questions.

Resolution No. 32-2016 Appointment—Susquehanna Workforce Network Board - Dr. D'Ette Devine, Terrance Lovell and Dan Schneckeburger, will be introduced at tonight's session. There were no comments or questions.

Mr. Wein and Mr. Robinson provided introductory comments on Resolution No. 33-2016 Supplemental Appropriation - Animal Shelter Sales - FY 2017, which will be introduced at tonight's session. Council questions and comments ensued.

Mr. Wein and Ms. Anderson provided introductory comments on Resolution No. 34-2016 Transfer of Appropriations - Orphan's Court and Library BTOP - FY 2017, which will be introduced at tonight's session. Council questions and comments ensued.

Resolution No. 18-2016 Approval- Critical Area Growth Allocation- Town of Chesapeake City, will be considered for approval at tonight's session. There were no questions or comments.

Resolution No. 25-2016 Appointment - Board of License Commissioners - Timothy Snelling , will be considered for approval at tonight's session. There were no questions or comments.

Resolution No. 26-2016 Garrett Island - Letter of Support, will be considered for approval at tonight's session. Councilman Patchell provided additional comments. Council questions and comments ensued.

Bill No. 2016-10 Supplemental Appropriation-Board of Education Capital Budget- BTOP and E-Rate, will be considered for adoption at tonight's session. There were no Council comments or questions.

Mr. Sennstrom provided comments on rezoning case, TES Red Toad Solar, which is scheduled for approval at tonight's session. Council President Hodge asked whether the current County zoning regulations needed to be updated for power generating facilities. Mr. Sennstrom stated that he did not see a need to change.

There were no comments on Cecil County Public Schools - Budget Amendment #30, which will be considered for approval at tonight's session.

Council Manager Report

Mr. Massey reviewed the calendar of upcoming events. In addition, he provided information about Somerset County's chicken house article that was recently published in the MACo newsletter. He verified that the Council wishes to meet with the Public Library administration for further discussion of the proposed North East Branch Library.

Vice President McCarthy arrived at 10:00 a.m.

Council Member Comments

Councilman Schneckenburger attended the Annual Cecil County Wade-In at Elk Neck State Park. He asked Mr. Flanigan to comment on a recent grant awarded to the County. Mr. Flanigan stated that the Department of Public Works received a grant from the Coastal and Atlantic Bay Trust Fund in the amount of \$900,000 that will be used to provide stormwater management at Perryville High School and North East High School.

Councilwoman Bowsbey attended the Upper Shore Regional Council Executive Board meeting and reported on grants available for entrepreneurial, health and infrastructural projects.

Council President Hodge asked Mr. Sennstrom to provide a summary of the B&H Salvage Yard application to the Planning Commission. The application involves approval of an aluminum smelter at a business on Route 40. Mr. Sennstrom explained the application and stated that the Planning Commission had approved their application, which will be going to the Board of Appeals. Council questions and comments ensued.

Vice President McCarthy commented on the recent terrorist event in Orlando and the police officer whose life had been saved by his Kevlar helmet. He stated that he and other Council

Members had supported funding for the Cecil County Sheriff's Office for similar riot gear, which can be used by first responders in the event of a similar situation.

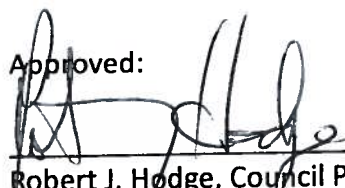
ADJOURNMENT

Council President Hodge adjourned the work session at 10:05 a.m.

Attest:


James Massey
Council Manager

Approved:


Robert J. Hodge, Council President
County Council of Cecil County