## **COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES** LSD 2017-12 June 20, 2017

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:

Joyce Bowlsbey, Council President Dan Schneckenburger, Vice President Bob Meffley, Council Member George Patchell, Council Member Jackie Gregory, Council Member

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

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the County Council of Cecil County of June 20, 2017 was called to order by Council President Bowlsbey at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

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

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On motion made by Vice President Schneckenburger, seconded by Councilman Meffley, moved to approve the legislative agenda of June 20, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

# PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS

The Council presented a proclamation to Deputy First Class Clay Christopher Chaney in recognition of his award as the 2016 Cecil County Detention Center Officer of the Year.

The Council presented a proclamation to Deputy First Class Bethany D. Limbert in recognition of her award as the 2016 Cecil County Corrections Employee of the Year.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Bill No. 2017-13 Monthly Statement of Claims - Posting on County Website A Bill Amending Chapter 21, Section 21-2 Monthly Statement of Claims of the Code of Cecil County, authorizing the posting of a monthly statement of accounts for all expense payments above \$500 made in the preceding month on the County website and/or publishing in a County newspaper of general circulation.

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The Bill was introduced on May 16, 2017, advertised on June 7, 2017 and June 14, 2017, and scheduled for public hearing on June 20, 2017.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided comments about the legislation. There were no Council questions or comments.

Council President Bowlsbey opened the public hearing for public comments.

Rebecca Snyder, Executive Director of the Maryland/Delaware Press Association, commented in opposition to the legislation and offered an amendment.

Jake Owens, Editor of the Cecil Whig, commented in opposition to the legislation

Stephanie Palko, Editor of the Cecil Guardian, commented in opposition to the legislation.

Harold McCanick, Elk Neck, commented in opposition to the Bill.

Council President Bowlsbey concluded the public hearing on Bill No. 2017-13 and announced that final consideration of this Bill will be held on July 11, 2017.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 22-2017 Amendment - Master Water and Sewer Plan - Conowingo Mobile Home Court and Maybelle Manor Mobile Home Estates

A Resolution to amend the Cecil County Master Water and Sewer Plan, Tables 8, 9, 11; and associated map; in order to separate the sewage systems of Conowingo Mobile Home Court and Maybelle Manor Mobile Home Estates.

The Resolution was introduced on May 16, 2017, advertised on June 7, 2017 and June 14, 2017, and scheduled for public hearing on June 20, 2017.

Eric Sennstrom, Director of Land Use and Development Services, provided comments about the legislation. There were no Council questions or comments.

Council President Bowlsbey opened the public hearing for public comments. There were no comments on this Resolution.

Council President Bowlsbey concluded the public hearing on Resolution No. 22-2017 and announced that final consideration of this Resolution will be held on July 11, 2017.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, the Council moved to approve the minutes of June 6, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Bob Willick, State Coordinator of Campaign for Liberty, commented on the Council's actions on the budge Harold McCanick, Elk Neck, commented on the proposed motocross track, turf fields and the Council's voon the budget.

# PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Patchell had no comments.

Councilman Meffley commented on the emergency radio system presentations that he attended. He also attended the Pearce Creek Implementation Committee meeting. He spoke at the Cecil County Public Library about business and commented on the children's interest in creating their own business.

Councilwoman Gregory had no comments.

Vice President Schneckenburger congratulated the Tourism Office for their outstanding promotion of the Bassmaster Tournament.

Council President Bowlsbey had no comments.

# INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 26-2017 Appointment—Department of Social Services Board

A Resolution to confirm the appointment of Deron G. Brown to the Department of Social Services Board for three (3) year term to expire June 30, 2020.

There were no Council questions or commented.

## CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 25-2017 Appointment—Board of License Commissioners - Stephen A. Miller A Resolution to confirm the appointment by the County Executive of Stephen A. Miller to the Cecil County Board of License Commissioners, term to expire July 1, 2019.

The Resolution was introduced and posted on June 6, 2017

There were no Council questions or comments.

On motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Vice President Schneckenburger, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 25-2017.

Roll Call Vote: Meffley - Y, Schneckenburger - Y, Patchell - Y, Gregory - Y, Bowlsbey - Y. Motion carried unanimously.

## CALL FOR FINAL READING OF BILLS

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Bill No. 2017-12 Agricultural Preservation District - Appledale Farm

A Bill to approve the petition of George and Barbara Balog for property located at 134 Warburton Road, North East, MD 21901, also known as Appledale Farm (Tax Map 19, Grid 15, Parcels 61 and 487) requesting the establishment of an agricultural preservation district.

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The Bill was introduced on May 2, 2017, and public hearing held and concluded on June 6, 2017.

Council questions and comments ensued.

On motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, the Council moved to approve Bill No. 2017-12.

Roll Call Vote: Meffley - Y, Schneckenburger - Y, Patchell - Y, Gregory - Y, Bowlsbey - Y. Motion carried unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Cecil County Public Schools - Budget Amendment #41

Councilwoman Gregory made a motion to approve Budget Amendment #41, which was seconded by Vice President Schneckenburger.

Roll Call Vote: Meffley - Y, Schneckenburger - Y, Patchell - Y, Gregory - Y, Bowlsbey - Y. Motion carried unanimously.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Council President Bowlsbey adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

The next Council Legislative Session is scheduled for Tuesday, July 11, 2017 in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton, Maryland.

Approved:

**President** 

Attest:

James Massey

Council Manager