

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES
LSD 2017-19
October 3, 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 Bowsbey, 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 October 3, 2017 was called to order by Council President Bowsbey at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Council President Bowsbey led the Council in a moment of silence and asked the audience to remember the victims of the Las Vegas shooting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Vice President Schneckenburger, moved to approve the legislative agenda of October 3, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Bill No. 2017-17 Budget Appropriation and Budget Transfer - Board of Education Capital Project - Gilpin Manor Elementary School Replacement Project

A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, in order to provide an additional appropriation of \$78,698.23 in revenue and expenditure authority within the General Fund for the consideration received for property from the Town of Elkton; and amends the Board of Education's Capital Project's Fund revenue and expenditure authority by \$78,698.23 in order to transfer the consideration to Cecil County Public Schools for the payment of permit fees for the Gilpin Manor Elementary School Replacement Project.

The Bill was introduced on September 5, 2017, advertised on September 20, 2017 and September 27, 2017, and scheduled for public hearing on October 3, 2017.

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

Council President Bowsbey opened the public hearing for public comments. There were no public comments.

Council President Bowsbey concluded the public hearing on Bill No. 2017-17 and announced that final consideration of this Bill will be held on October 17, 2017.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Bill No. 2017-18 County Council - Procurement - Exemption - Publication of Notices and Codification of Laws

A Bill to amend the Code of Cecil County in order to exempt the legal notices and codification of the Code from procurement procedures.

The Bill was introduced on September 5, 2017, advertised on September 20, 2017 and September 27, 2017, and scheduled for public hearing on October 3, 2017.

Council President Bowsbey and Council Manager Massey provided comments on this legislation. There were no Council questions or comments.

Council President Bowsbey opened the public hearing for public comments.

Harold McCanick, Elk Neck, commented on this legislation.

Council President Bowsbey concluded the public hearing on Bill No. 2017-18 and announced that final consideration of this Bill will be held on October 17, 2017.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 45-2017 Approval- Transfer of Real Property - Town of Rising Sun - Rails to Trails

A Resolution to approve the transfer of real property located within the Town of Rising Sun for use by the Town as part of its Rails to Trails Program.

The Resolution was introduced on September 5, 2017, advertised on September 20, 2017 and September 27, 2017, and scheduled for public hearing on October 3, 2017.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided comments on this legislation. Rising Sun Town Commissioners Allen Authenreath and Dave Warnick expressed their support for this legislation. Council comments ensued.

Council President Bowsbey opened the public hearing for public comments.

Harold McCanick, Elk Neck, commented on a similar rails to trails project in Newark, Delaware.

Council President Bowsbey concluded the public hearing on Resolution No. 45-2017 and announced that final consideration of this Resolution will be held on October 17, 2017.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 46-2017 Approval- Abandonment and Sale - Hayes Lane

A Resolution to approve the abandonment of a "paper" road called Hayes Lane, which is located in the Fifth Election District, Cecil County, Maryland, and an agreement to sell Hayes Lane to Eric Polansky and Charmie Polansky, and to PLLH, LLC, for consideration totaling Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00).

The Resolution was introduced on September 5, 2017, advertised on September 20, 2017 and September 27, 2017, and scheduled for public hearing on October 3, 2017.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided comments on this legislation. Council comments ensued.

Council President Bowsbey opened the public hearing for public comments. There were no public comments.

Council President Bowsbey concluded the public hearing on Resolution No. 46-2017 and announced that final consideration of this Resolution will be held on October 17, 2017.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, the Council moved to approve the minutes of September 19, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Harold McCanick, Elk Neck, commented on the lack of information on appointees, his opposition to the conditional loan to Lidl and his opposition to new transit buses.

PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Gregory thanked the audience for attending Citizens Corner and the legislative session. She attended the opening of Bohemia River Overlook and commented on resolving neighborhood issues. She also attended the Cecil County Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council meeting and commented on the nationwide increase of heroin use, the need for additional doses of Narcon to counteract strong opioids, and the stronger form of fentanyl coming from China. She commented on honoring first responders at the North East Volunteer Fire Company banquet.

Vice President Schneckenburger commented on his support of economic incentives to bring businesses to the county in order to have a robust economy and build the county's tax base.

Councilman Patchell had no comments.

Councilman Meffley attended the opening of Bohemia River Overlook and commented on bringing customers from outside Maryland. He also attended the Cecil County Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council meeting and Voices of Hope 5K Walk. He will be attending the opening of the new turf field at Perryville

High School. He commented on the value of Cecil Transit buses that provide transportation for residents of Deep Roots to attend adult education classes. He also voiced his support for adult education.

Council President Bowsbey commented on the importance of the county's transit buses that bring students to Cecil College, their routes that connects parts of the county, and their service between Perryville and Newark, Delaware. She also commented on Elkton High School's chamber choir that is raising funds in order to go to Disney World and participate in the Christmas procession.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 50-2017 Appointment—Cecil County Ethics Commission-Wyatt Wallace

A Resolution to confirm the appointment of Wyatt Wallace made by the County Executive to the Cecil County Ethics Commission, completing the term of Donna Caudell, term to expire October 3, 2021.

There were no questions or comments on this legislation.

Introduced, read first time and order posted on October 3, 2017, and scheduled for consideration on October 17, 2017.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 51-2017 Approval - Maryland Economic Development Assistance and Authority Fund Loan - Lidl

A Resolution endorsing a Maryland Economic Development Assistance and Authority Fund Loan, pursuant to which Lidl US, LLC will establish a new 790,000 square foot distribution center and acquire the real property upon which the distribution center will be situated in Principio Business Park in North East, Cecil County, Maryland.

Christopher Moyer, Economic Development Director, provided introductory comments. Council questions and comments ensued.

Introduced, read first time and order posted on October 3, 2017, and scheduled for consideration on October 17, 2017.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 52- 2017 Approval - Maryland Economic Development Assistance and Authority Fund Loan- Project Melo

A Resolution endorsing a Maryland Economic Development Assistance and Authority Fund Loan, pursuant to which the Borrower will establish a new 1M plus square foot distribution center and acquire the real property upon which the distribution center will be situated in Principio Business Park in North East, Cecil County, Maryland.

Christopher Moyer, Economic Development Director, provided introductory comments. Council questions and comments ensued.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 49-2017 Supplemental Appropriation - Special Revenue - Other Grants Fund - MDOT - Asphalt Overlay Program

A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 in order to provide a total of \$300,969 to the Special Revenue – Other Grants Fund to record the grant award from the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) for the purpose of providing additional funds to the County’s asphalt overlay program.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided comments.

On motion made by Vice President Schneckenburger, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 49-2017.

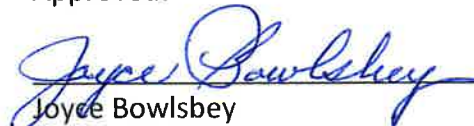
Roll call vote: Meffley-Y, Patchell-Y, Gregory-Y, Schneckenburger- Y, Bowsbey-Y
Motion was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, Council President Bowsbey adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

The next Council Legislative Session is scheduled for Tuesday, October 17, 2017 in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton, Maryland.

Approved:



Joyce Bowsbey
President

Attest:



James Massey
Council Manager

Introduced, read first time and order posted on October 3, 2017, and scheduled for consideration on October 17, 2017.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 54-2017 Appointment—Board of Parks and Recreation—Megan Coleman

A Resolution to confirm the appointment by the County Executive of Megan Coleman to the Board of Parks and Recreation term to expire on October 17, 2020.

There were no Council questions or comments on this legislation.

Introduced, read first time and order posted on October 3, 2017, and scheduled for consideration on October 17, 2017.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 47-2017 Appointment—Human Services Agency- John Donohue

A Resolution to confirm the appointment of John W. Donohue to the Human Services Agency for a four year term to expire on October 3, 2021.

There were no Council questions or comments.

On motion made by Vice President Schneckenburger, seconded by Councilman Meffley, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 47-2017.

Roll call vote: Meffley-Y, Patchell-Y, Gregory-Y, Schneckenburger- Y, Bowslsbey-Y
Motion was unanimously approved.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 48-2017 Appointment—Commission on Aging - Stacy Kortas, Shalini Arora, and Robert Wilson

A Resolution to confirm the appointments of Stacy Kortas, Shalini Arora, and Robert Wilson to the Commission on Aging for a two year term to expire on October 3, 2019.

There were no Council questions or comments.

On motion made by Vice President Schneckenburger, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory, the Council moved to approve Resolution No. 48-2017.

Roll call vote: Meffley-Y, Patchell-Y, Gregory-Y, Schneckenburger- Y, Bowslsbey-Y
Motion was unanimously approved.