

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
WORK SESSION MINUTES
November 7, 2017**

PRESENT: Council Members: President Joyce Bowsbey, Vice President Dan Schneckenburger, Bob Meffley, George Patchell and Jackie Gregory; James Massey, Council Manager; Terry Hale, Council Assistant, members of the press; and members of the public.

OPEN SESSION – Elk Room

9:00 A.M. –Council President Bowsbey 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.

CLOSED SESSION

October 17, 2017

10:30 A.M.

On motion by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, the Council moved to convene in closed session pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, General Provisions Article, 3-305(b)(4) to consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State.

Roll Call Vote: Meffley-Y, Bowsbey-Y, Schneckenburger-Y, Patchell-Y, and Gregory-Y
The motion carried by a vote of 5 to 0.

Present: Council Members: President Bowsbey, Vice President Schneckenburger, Councilman Meffley, Councilman Patchell and Councilwoman Gregory; James Massey, Council Manager; Terry Hale, Council Assistant; Al Wein, Director of Administration; Jason Allison, County Attorney; and Christopher Moyer, Director of Economic Development.

Mr. Moyer discussed specifics of the business associated with Resolution No. 52-2017 Approval - Maryland Economic Development Assistance and Authority Fund - Project Melo.

On motion made by Councilman Meffley, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory, the Council moved to conclude the closed session at 10:38 a.m.

Roll Call Vote: Meffley-Y, Bowsbey-Y, Schneckenburger-Y, Patchell-Y, and Gregory-Y
The motion carried by a vote of 5 to 0.

Approval of Minutes On a motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, the Council moved to approve the minutes of the Council work session of October 17, 2017, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

On a motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, the Council moved to approve the minutes of the Council closed session of October 17, 2017, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

MACo Legislative Committee Appointments

Council President Bowlsbey led discussion on the appointments to the MACo Legislative Committee. Vice President Schneckengerger agreed to continue to serve as Member and Councilwoman Gregory agreed to serve as Alternate Member for 2018.

Review of Legislative Agenda

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided introductory comments on Bill No. 2017-21 Amendment – Subdivision Regulations – Land Use and Development Services, which will be introduced at tonight's session. There were no Council questions or comments.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided introductory comments on Bill No. 2017-22 Amendment – Zoning Ordinance – Land Use and Development Services, which will be introduced at tonight's session. Council questions and comments ensued. Mr. Wein explained that this Bill permits the Planning Director to approve final plats, instead of the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission will continue to approve the concept and preliminary plans.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided introductory comments on Bill No. 2017-23 Bond Authorization – Mill Run Extension – USDA, which will be introduced at tonight's session. Mr. Wein referred to a map that he provided. There were no Council questions or comments.

Al Wein, Director of Administration, provided introductory comments on Resolution No. 55-2017 Approval – Mill Run Sewer Extension – USDA Loan Resolution, which will be introduced at tonight's session. He referred to a document provided on talking points. Council questions and comments ensued.

Eric Sennstrom, Director of Land Use and Development Services, provided an overview of the rezoning case, File #2017-06 North East LLC. He stated that the Planning staff and Planning Commission recommended approval based on a mistake in the zoning classification of the property during the last comprehensive rezoning. There were no Council questions or comments.

Council Manager Report

Mr. Massey updated Council Members about upcoming meetings and events. He reported on several issues on the federal and state level. He also reminded Council Members that they are scheduled to tour Bohemia River State Park after today's meeting.

Council Member Comments

Councilwoman Gregory commented on a very successful Drug Take Back Day and Trunk and Treat event held last Saturday where Richard Baum, the nation's "drug czar" attended to bring attention to the serious opioid epidemic. She stated that she and Councilman Meffley attended the ribbon cutting for the Crest Substation that will increase the reliability of electric power. She also announced that North East High School is sponsoring a drug prevention event for parents and children.

Vice President Schneckenburger commented on the impressive number of partnerships that supported Drug Take Back Day. He also commented on the attendance of Richard Baum from the White House who attended the event. He plans to attend

Councilman Patchell commented on his tour of Perry Point Village and expressed his appreciation that the former housing for homeless Veterans have been improved by new construction and renovation.


Councilman Meffley attended the School of Technology National Honor Society induction with Dr. McCarthy and President Bowsbey. He also attended the School of Technology Advisory Committee meeting and expressed support of the change to allow students to spend three days in vocational instruction. He also attended the ribbon cutting for Crest Substation with Councilwoman Gregory. He attended the Upper Shore Regional Council Executive Board meeting and the Philadelphia Eagles football game against Denver Broncos. He stated that he met with citizens from Hacks Point who were upset that the county repaired their road by tar and chipping. He also attended the high school football game between Perryville and Bohemia Manor with Councilman Patchell, which was played on the new turf field. He expressed his appreciation to the County Executive and County Council for supporting the turf field project.

Council President Bowsbey stated that she had attended many of the events mentioned previously. She expressed her praise of forty-one students who were inducted into the School of Technology's Honor Society. She also voiced her support for the Drug Take Back Day. She will be attending Union Hospital's Legislative Breakfast on December 8. She also will be serving as a judge for the North East Christmas parade.

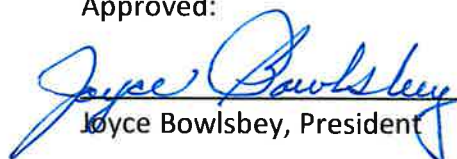
Adjournment

On a motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, the work session was adjourned by Council President Bowsbey at 9:26 a.m.

Attest:


James Massey
Council Manager

Approved:


Joyce Bowsbey, President