

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES
LSD 2017-22
November 21, 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
Bob Meffley, Council Member
George Patchell, Council Member
Jackie Gregory, Council Member
Absent: Dan Schneckenburger, Vice President

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 November 21, 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.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, moved to approve the legislative agenda of November 7, 2017. Motion was carried by a vote of 4 to 0. Vice President Schneckenburger was absent.

PUBLIC HEARING

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Bill No. 2017-19 Budget Transfer - Wastewater Capital Project Budget - I&I Meadowview, Cherry Hill, Highlands Project

A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 to transfer existing bond appropriation authority within the Wastewater Capital Projects Budget in the amount of \$386,000 from completed Wastewater Capital Projects including the Repair Carpenters Point Sewer Trenches (\$102,736) and the Construct Highland Interceptor Sewer Project (\$283,264); to the Inflow and Infiltration Projects(I&I) Meadowview, Cherry Hill, Highlands Project.

The Bill was introduced on October 10, 2017, advertised on November 8, 2017 and November 15, 2017, and scheduled for public hearing on November 21, 2017.

Scott Flanigan, Public Works Director, offered to answer questions of the legislation. There were no Council questions or comments.

Council President Bowsbey opened the public hearing on Bill No. 2017-19 for public comments. There were no public comments.

Council President Bowsbey concluded the public hearing on Bill No. 2017-19 and announced that final consideration of this Bill will be held on December 5, 2017.

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Bill No. 2017-20 Budget Amendment - Wastewater Capital Project Budget - Elkton West Sanitary Sewer District - USDA Loan

A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, to replace existing County General Obligation (GO) Bonds appropriation authority of \$8,070,000 for the construction of the Elkton West Sanitary Sewer Sub-district project within the Wastewater Capital Projects Budget, with a loan approved for the project from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

The Bill was introduced on October 10, 2017, advertised on November 8, 2017 and November 15, 2017, and scheduled for public hearing on November 21, 2017.

Scott Flanigan, Public Works Director, offered to answer questions of the legislation. Council questions and comments ensued.

Council President Bowsbey opened the public hearing on Bill No. 2017-20 for public comments. There were no public comments.

Council President Bowsbey concluded the public hearing on Bill No. 2017-20 and announced that final consideration of this Bill will be held on December 5, 2017.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, the Council moved to approve the minutes of November 7, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Peter Raymond, Conowingo, commented on the poor condition of roads in his neighborhood, Holland Acres, and requested the County to inspect conditions. He also commented on his Homeowner Association issue with a County inspector over removal of trees in a swale.

PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Patchell attended the Parks and Recreation board meeting and commented on a large lacrosse tournament that took place at Calvert Regional Park with an estimated crowd of over seven hundred. He also attended the All County Chorus Concert.

Councilman Meffley stated that he was working with Mayor Joe Zang to request MDOT conduct a traffic survey at night because of truck traffic through Cecilton. He expressed his concern that there were no meetings regarding the EMS Advisory Board. He thanked the audience for attending tonight's meeting.

Councilwoman Gregory commented that the County policy should advise County staff to provide instructions or comments in writing to the public to avoid misunderstandings. She also thanked the audience for attending and wished all a happy Thanksgiving.

Council President Bowsbey commented on Fair Hill International's likely designation as a four-star horse eventing competition. She stated that they were waiting for the International Federation for Equestrian Sports to notify the US Equestrian Federation of their decision.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Council Manager Massey stated for the record:

Resolution No. 57-2017 Roads - Renaming – Maggie's Lane

A Resolution to rename an unnamed road "Maggie's Lane", which is off of Jacob Tome Memorial Highway on the south side of Hunters Sale Barn in Port Deposit.

Eric Sennstrom, Director of Land Use and Development Services, introduced Jason Boothe, Planner I, who provided introductory comments on the legislation. Council questions and comments ensued.

Introduced, read first time and order posted on November 21, 2017. The public hearing will be advertised and scheduled on December 19, 2017.

New Business

Cecil County Public Schools – Budget Amendment - # 45 will be considered at tonight's legislative session.

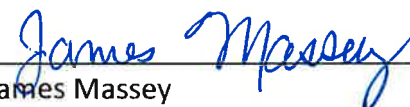
A motion was made by Councilwoman Gregory to approve of Budget Amendment #45 in the amount of \$522,557. The motion was seconded by Councilman Meffley and approved by a vote of 4 to 0. Vice President Schneckenburger was absent.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, Council President Bowsbey adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

The next Council Legislative Session is scheduled on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton, Maryland.

Attest:


James Massey
Council Manager

Approved:


Joyce Bowsbey
President