

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
WORK SESSION MINUTES
October 23, 2018**

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.

A meeting of the Cecil County Board of Health was held on Tuesday, October 23, 2018, in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building at 9:00 A.M. The Board of Health meeting was concluded at 9:58 a.m. Minutes of the Board of Health are provided on a separate document.

OPEN SESSION – Elk Room

10:00 A.M. –Council President Bowsbey called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and determined a quorum.

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

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 16, 2018, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

Council Manager Report

Mr. Massey updated Council Members about upcoming meetings and events. He stated that there will be no Council legislative sessions during the month of November as provided by the Charter. Council work sessions are tentatively scheduled on November 13, 20 and 27; but could be cancelled if there are no agenda items. The Council with newly elected members will be seated on December 4, 2018.

Council Member Comments

Councilman Patchell stated that Calvert Regional Park has already scheduled nine tournaments and asked the administration to expedite additional parking at the facility.

Councilman Meffley attended the Upper Shore Regional Council executive board meeting and reported on current projects, including Cecil County's expansion of broadband and a trade liaison position to be shared by Kent and Queen Anne's Counties. He attended Maryland Day at Fair Hill and commented on its estimated economic impact of \$19M on Cecil County. He attended the opening of the Valhalla Brewing Company and met Comptroller Peter Franchot. He also attended the community reception for Joyce Bowsbey and Dan Schneckenburger, and commended them for their service on the Council. He also recognized Jim Massey and Terry Hale who had organized and managed the event. He visited Holly Hall Elementary School and met the school staff, teachers and students. He commented on the need for a sidewalk along White Hall Road to

alleviate students walking on the street. He attended a State Highway Administration meeting in Cecilton to discuss the increase of traffic along Route 213. The group has proposed to reduce the speed limit and establish a weight limit on the Chesapeake City's C&D Canal bridge, with farm equipment being exempted.

Councilwoman Gregory attended the Maryland Day at Fair Hill and commented on the activities and overwhelming care given to the horses. She also attended Fair Hill International and commented on the large crowd and family-oriented event. She met Comptroller Franchot in North East as he was visiting local businesses. She also attended the community reception for Joyce Bowsbey and Dan Schneckeburger and thanked them for her to succeed in her position.

Vice President Schneckeburger attended the Maryland Day at Fair Hill and the Fair Hill International. He volunteered at the county's tourism booth at the races. He attended the Apple Butter Festival at the Farm Museum and commented on their improved location near the School of Technology. He attended the Bainbridge Development Corporation annual meeting where Mike Pugh and Donna Tapley were recognized for their service. He congratulated Dr. Carl Roberts who was selected as President of the BDC. He stated that he was glad that part of the Bainbridge property is being cleared for development.

Council President Bowsbey stated that there had been no response from the Attorney General's Office regarding the state's monoxide detector requirements in non-fueled rental dwellings. She reported on progress of the Upper Shore Regional Council, which included the hiring of Susan O'Neill as Executive Director, and Janice Palmer, as Administrative Assistant. She stated that county departments should be aware that the USRC has funding to support economic development. She stated that Cecil County is receiving funds to support the expansion of broadband. There is also a loan program for farmers available. She will be attending the National Technical Honor Society induction being held at Elkton High School and the Board of Realtor luncheon. She polled Council Members who will be attending the Aberdeen Immersion Day on November 16, 2018.

She stated that this is Dan and hers last meeting and expressed her thanks for her five years on the County Council. She expressed her appreciation for the community reception. She stated that she hoped that she helped guide Cecil County in the right direction. She said that she plans to attend future Council meetings to stay involved.

On a motion made by Councilwoman Gregory, seconded by Councilman Meffley, the work session was adjourned by Council President Bowsbey at 10:21 a.m.

The next Council work session will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 2018.

Attest:

James Massey
James Massey
Council Manager

Approved:

Richard Massey
Council President