

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES
LSD 2023-15
August 1, 2023**

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:

Jackie Gregory, Council President
Robert Meffley, Vice President
Rebecca Hamilton, Council Member
Al Miller, Council Member
Donna Culberson, Council Member

NOTE: The recording with transcription of this meeting is available on the County website at www.ccgov.org/council.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the County Council of Cecil County of August 1, 2023, was called to order by Council President Gregory at 8:00 p.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

President Gregory asked for a moment of silence.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion made by Vice President Meffley, seconded by Councilwoman Culberson, the Council moved to approve the legislative agenda of August 1, 2023. The motion was approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Councilwoman Culberson, seconded by Vice President Meffley, the Council moved to approve the minutes of the legislative session of July 18, 2023. The motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sean Brimm of Elkton spoke on child abuse.
Phyllis Kilby of Colora spoke on the need for weed control.

PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

President Gregory noted that Council comments were given at the Work Session on August 1, 2023.

Councilwoman Hamilton noted that the Elkton Music Hall Ribbon cutting is on August 4 at 7:00 pm.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Council Manager Culver stated for the record:

Resolution 35-2023 - Supplemental Appropriation – General Fund Balance – Board of Education – Safe and Secure School Entrances Projects - Rising Sun and Conowingo Elementary Schools

A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, to provide the Board of Education budget with additional expenditure appropriation authority to utilize \$845,170 in funds from the General Fund Balance to finish safe and secure school entrances projects for the Rising Sun and Conowingo Elementary Schools.

Introduced, read for the first time, order posted on June 20, 2023, tabled on July 11, 2023 and rescheduled for consideration on August 1, 2023.

Councilwoman Culberson made a motion to lift Resolution 35-2023 from the table, which was seconded by Councilman Miller. The motion to lift from the table was approved unanimously.

Director of Administration Steven Overbay noted that the new bids were received and the revised numbers were sent to Council for the amendment to the resolution.

Councilwoman Culberson made a motion to approve Resolution 35-2023, which was seconded by Vice President Meffley.

President Gregory asked for a motion for any amendments and Councilman Miller moved for Amendment No. 1 to resolution No. 35-2023 which was seconded by Councilwoman Hamilton.

Amendment No. 1 To Resolution No. 35-2023

Title: Supplemental Appropriation – General Fund Balance – Board of Education – Safe and Secure School Entrances Projects – Rising Sun and Conowingo Elementary Schools

Synopsis: A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, to provide the Board of Education budget with additional expenditure appropriation authority to utilize \$845,170 in funds from the General Fund Balance to finish safe and secure school entrances projects for the Rising Sun and Conowingo Elementary Schools.

Introduced by: Council President at the request of the County Executive

In the Synopsis on the third line change:

\$845,170 to \$746,322

On line 11 change:

\$2,254,736 to \$2,155,888

On line 12 change:

\$2,254,736 to \$2,155,888

On line 13 change:

\$1,554,736 to \$1,455,888

On line 14 change:

\$1,554,736 to \$1,455,888

On line 15 change:

\$1,554,736 to \$1,455,888

On line 17 change:

\$1,040,736 to \$941,888

On line 19 change:

\$845,170 to \$746,322

On line 21 change:

\$845,170 to \$746,322

On line 23 change:

\$845,170 to \$746,322

On line 26 change:

\$845,170 to \$746,322

On line 30 change:

\$845,170 to \$746,322

Roll call vote: Hamilton – Y, Miller -Y, Culberson – Y, Meffley – Y, Gregory- Y
The motion was approved unanimously.

Manager Culver noted that the Resolution was now amended.

Councilman Miller made a motion to approve Resolution 35-2023 as amended, which was seconded by Councilwoman Culberson.

Roll call vote: Hamilton – Y, Miller -Y, Culberson – Y, Meffley – Y, Gregory - Y
The motion was approved unanimously.

Council Manager Culver stated for the record:

Resolution 40-2023 – Approval – Tasers with Accessories – Multiple Year Contract

A Resolution to approve a five (5) year agreement between the County on behalf of the Cecil County Sheriff's Office and Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the acquisition of Sixty-five (65) Taser 10 Inert Magazine Red with two spares, Inert Unitary Cartridge, Taser 10 Blackhawk Holster RH, Enhanced Hook-and-Loop Training (halt) Suit V2, Target Frame Professional 27.5 in X 75 in, Certification Bundle. The bundle includes all training cartridges, unlimited duty cartridges, and instructor training vouchers.

Introduced, read for the first time, order posted on July 18, 2023 and scheduled for consideration on August 1, 2023.

Director of Administration Steven Overbay noted that this was a 5-year contract for the tasers. Director Overbay noted that these tasers will be for correctional officers and will be an upgrade.

Councilman Miller made a motion to approve Resolution 40-2023, which was seconded by Councilwoman Culberson.

Roll call vote: Hamilton – Y, Miller -Y, Culberson – Y, Meffley – Y, Gregory- Y
The motion was approved unanimously.

Council Manager Culver stated for the record:

Resolution 41-2023 – Appointment and Reappointments—Board of License Commissioners – Kristen Ortt, Stephen Miller and Russ Johnson

A Resolution to confirm the reappointments by the County Executive of Kristen Ortt to expire June 30, 2024, Stephen Miller to expire on June 30, 2026, and the appointment of Russ Johnson to fill a vacancy to expire on June 30, 2025.

Introduced, read for the first time, order posted on July 18, 2023 and scheduled for consideration on August 1, 2023

Councilwoman Culberson made a motion to approve Resolution 41-2023, which was seconded by Vice President Meffley.

Roll call vote: Hamilton – Y, Miller -Y, Culberson – Y, Meffley – Y, Gregory- Y
The motion was approved unanimously.

Council Manager Culver stated for the record:

Resolution 42-2023 - Appointment—Adult Public Guardianship Review Board – Dianne Fox

A Resolution to confirm the reappointment by the County Executive of Dianne Fox, to a three-year term that will expire on November 5, 2025, to the Cecil County Adult Public Guardianship Review Board.

Introduced, read for the first time, order posted on July 18, 2023 and scheduled for consideration on August 1, 2023

Director of Administration Steven Overbay noted Ms. Fox has served with distinction on this board and noted this board makes recommendations to the Courts on the care of these adults.

Councilwoman Culberson made a motion to approve Resolution 42-2023, which was seconded by Vice President Meffley.

Roll call vote: Hamilton – Y, Miller -Y, Culberson – Y, Meffley – Y, Gregory- Y
The motion was approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT


On motion made by Councilwoman Culberson, seconded by Councilman Miller, President Gregory adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Council President Gregory announced that the next Council Legislative Session is scheduled on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building. The legislative session will be livestreamed at the county's webpage at www.ccgov.org/council. The recording and transcription will be uploaded to the county's website as soon as possible.

Approved:


Jackie Gregory
Council President

Attest:


David M. Culver
Council Manager