

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES
LSD 2025-24
December 16, 2025**

The County Council of Cecil County met in Legislative Session at the County Administration Building, Elk Room, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton, MD. The following members of the Council were present:

Al Miller, Council President
Robert Meffley, Council Vice President
Rebecca Hamilton, Council Member
Dawn Branch, Council Member

NOTE: The recording with transcription of this meeting is available on the County website at www.cecilcountymd.gov

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the County Council of Cecil County of December 16, 2025, was called to order by Council President Miller at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Manager Henson called the roll and noted that four members were present.

OPENING PRAYER/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pastor Hyang Ahn, Ebenezer Global Methodist Church, Rising Sun, offered the Opening Prayer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion made by Vice President Meffley, seconded by Councilwoman Branch, the Council moved to approve the agenda of December 16, 2025. The motion was approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilwoman Hamilton, seconded by Councilwoman Branch, the Council moved to approve the minutes of the Legislative Session of December 2, 2025.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Council Manager Henson stated there were no speakers.

PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Hamilton wished all in attendance a Merry Christmas.

Councilwoman Branch stated that she attended the final beam signing at the North East High / Middle School construction project on December 12th, stating that the facility is scheduled to open in the Fall of 2027.

Councilwoman Branch stated she attended the Cecil County Sheriff's Office Annual Awards Gala for Law Enforcement and Civilian staff on December 13th and offered congratulations to all award recipients.

Councilwoman Branch stated the annual Cecil County Public Schools Support Staff Gala commenced at 5:00 p.m. this evening, and offered congratulations to award recipients Rita Reddish, School of Technology, and Julia Jackson, Elkton High School.

Councilwoman Branch wished all a Merry Christmas.

Vice President Meffley wished all a Merry Christmas.

Vice President Meffley stated he attended the Youth Empowerment Source (YES) Fundraising Reception on December 3rd. He commended the YES program and its positive impact on students.

Vice President Meffley stated he attended the Town of Elkton Volunteer Recognition Celebration on December 4th.

Vice President Meffley stated he participated in judging the North East Christmas Parade on December 6th.

President Miller stated he attended the final beam signing at the North East High / Middle School construction project on December 12th, stating it is a beautiful facility.

President Miller stated he attended the Cecil County Sheriff's Office Annual Awards Gala for Law Enforcement and Civilian staff on December 13th. He noted that the Rising Sun Tractor Parade was also held on the 13th, adding that he felt responsible to support Public Safety employees.

President Miller thanked his wife Karen for placing the poinsettias in the Council room.

President Miller thanked Council staff and Administration for working with Council.

President Miller wished all a Merry Christmas.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bill No. 2025-11

Council Manager Henson stated for the record:

Bill No. 2025-11 Amendment – Cecil County Code – Chapter 110 – Taxing Districts, Special – Stormwater Management Facility Maintenance Districts

An Act to amend the Cecil County Code, Chapter 110, Taxing Districts, Special, by creating and adding a new Article V for the establishment of Special Taxing Districts to fix and levy a special tax to fund the County's repair and perpetual maintenance of privately owned stormwater management facilities within a designated district with the special tax to be paid annually in the same manner as all other county taxes by the owners of the properties served by those stormwater management facilities for the period of time established by the Cecil County Council. Introduced by Council President at the request of the County Executive.

Introduced and ordered posted on December 16, 2025; Public Hearing scheduled on January 6, 2026; and scheduled for consideration on January 20, 2026.

Director of Public Works Scott Flanigan stated that Bill 2025-11 amends the County Code by establishing a Special Taxing District to fund maintenance and repair of privately owned storm water management (SWM) facilities.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 82-2025

Council Manager Henson stated for the record:

Resolution No. 82-2025 Appointment – Administrative Charging Committee – Devon Perry

A Resolution to confirm the appointment of Devon Perry to fill the vacancy left by William Cain, to a term which expires December 31, 2028, to the Administrative Charging Committee.

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

Introduced and ordered posted on December 16, 2025 and scheduled for consideration on January 6, 2026.

Director of Administration Schneckenburger stated Administration offered no further comments.

Resolution No. 83-2025

Council Manager Henson stated for the record:

Resolution No. 83-2025 Appointment – Board of Electricians – Frederick T. Craig, Jr.

A Resolution to confirm the reappointment of Frederick T. Craig, Jr., to a term which expires January 1, 2029, to the Board of Electricians.

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

Introduced and ordered posted on December 16, 2025 and scheduled for consideration on January 6, 2026.

Director of Administration Schneckenburger stated Administration offered no further comments.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 81-2025

Council Manager Henson stated for the record:

Resolution No. 81-2025 Approval – Nuisance Flooding Plan 2025-2030

A Resolution to adopt the Cecil County Nuisance Flooding Plan

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

Introduced and ordered posted on December 2, 2025 and scheduled for consideration on December 16, 2025.

Director of Administration Schneckenburger stated that, as indicated in the Work Session, consideration of Resolution No. 81-2025 will be deferred until the Planning Commission's recommendations are incorporated into the Nuisance Flooding Plan 2025-2030.

Vice President Meffley made a motion to table Resolution No. 81-2025 in order to incorporate the Planning Commission's recommendations into the Nuisance Flooding Plan 2025-2030. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hamilton.

Roll Call Vote to table Resolution No. 81-2025:

Roll Call Vote: Hamilton – Y, Branch – Y, Meffley – Y, Miller – Y

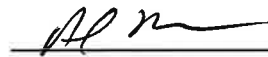
The motion was approved 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Councilwoman Branch, seconded by Vice President Meffley and approved by all present, President Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

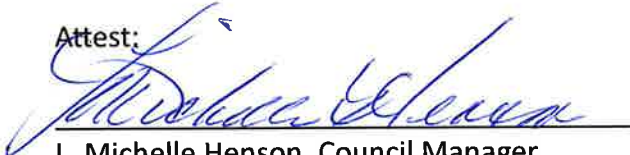
Council President Miller announced that the next Council Legislative Session is scheduled on Tuesday, January 6, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building. The Legislative Session will be livestreamed on the County's webpage at www.cecilcountymd.gov. The recording and transcription will be uploaded to the County's website as soon as possible.

Approved:



Al Miller, Council President

Attest:



L. Michelle Henson, Council Manager