

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY
WORK SESSION MINUTES
April 12, 2022**

OPEN SESSION – Elk Room

7:00 P.M.

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

PRESENT: Council Members: Robert Meffley, Jackie Gregory, William Coutz, Al Miller, and Donna Culberson; James Massey, Council Manager; Terry Hale, Council Assistant; members of the administration, and members of the public.

Call to Order

Council President Meffley called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, and announced that there were five Council Members present, which constitute a quorum.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion made by Councilman Coutz, seconded by Vice President Gregory, the Council moved to approve the minutes of the Council work session of March 22, 2022, as presented. The motion approved unanimously.

State Legislative Update

Vice President Gregory reviewed state legislation that the Council had taken a position, which had passed and failed. She also explained the changes in the highway user fund distribution that will be increased for counties from 1.5% to 3.2% in FY 2020-2024, but decrease to 1.5% in FY 2025.

2022 Council Legislative Calendar

Council Manager Massey reviewed revisions in the legislative calendar due to the Primary Election date, which was changed from June 28 to July 19.

Councilman Coutz made a motion to approve this legislative calendar, which was seconded by Vice President Gregory. The motion was approved unanimously.

Council Manager Report

Council Manager Massey reviewed the change in the date of the Primary Election and expressed concern that legislative redistricting is not yet settled. He also announced the a movie shot in Cecil County, Cream of the Crop, will be shown at the Milburn Stone Theater.

Council Member Items

Councilman Coutz attended the Economic Development Commission and commented on Ray Jackson's presentation regarding residential house. He attended the drug court graduation with Vice President Gregory and presented certificates to the graduates. He attended the Rising Sun Little League parade and opening ceremonies. He attended the first point to point

steeplechase race at Mount Harmon and expressed his support for this new event. He reported on the statistics from the Sheriff's Office Intel meeting, which showed a good week with a reduction in overdose incidents.

Councilwoman Culberson thanked the audience for attending. She attended the Farm Bureau banquet and congratulated the Lollar Family for being awarded the outstanding farm operation of 2022. She attended the Chesapeake City Fire Awards Banquet and commended them for responding to over 365 calls.

Councilman Miller attended the Cecilton Fire Company Awards Banquet and congratulated them for their 100% record of responding to ambulance calls. He attended the first meeting of the Noxious Weed Control Committee. He thanked the County Executive for appointing Michael Scheeler and William Ewing. He attended the Fellowship of Christian Athletes banquet and participated as Principal for a day at the School of Technology. He attended Ag Day, sponsored by Cecil Land Trust and commended their programs to educate the public. He attended the Local Management Board. He wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Vice President Gregory attended program at the American Legion to honor Veterans. She attended the CASA kickball tournament at Pine Grove Inn. She attended the Perryville Little League parade and opening ceremonies. She announced that the Susquehanna Workforce Network has scheduled a job fair on May 12. She announced a new group, Moms To Be, is being formed and will meet at the Heritage Family Health Center in Rising Sun. She also announced that the Governor's budget includes funding for American Legion Post 8185, Turkey Point Lighthouse, a new police shooting range, North Bay Education Center, Elk Neck State Park water treatment plant, community parks and playgrounds, Bainbridge, public schools, and the Health Department. She stated that additional support for public safety and victims of crime.

Council President Meffley attended the Farm Bureau Banquet, CASA kickball tournament, the Elkton and Chesapeake City Little League parades and ceremonies. He participated in the Principal for a Day at Cecilton Elementary School and attended a fundraiser at St. Basil's Ukrainian Church to support Ukraine.

Adjournment

Councilman Coutz made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Councilwoman Culberson. Council President Meffley adjourned the session at 7:37 pm.


James Massey
Council Manager

Approved:


Robert Meffley, Council President