

BALTIMORE COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES
LEGISLATIVE SESSION 2017, LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 14
September 5, 2017 6:00 P.M.

A. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Quirk at 6:08 P.M. The Chairman asked the audience to rise for a moment of silent meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were approximately 50 persons in attendance and the following Councilmembers were present:

TOM QUIRK	FIRST DISTRICT
VICKI ALMOND	SECOND DISTRICT
WADE KACH	THIRD DISTRICT
JULIAN E. JONES, JR.	FOURTH DISTRICT
DAVID MARKS	FIFTH DISTRICT
CATHY BEVINS	SIXTH DISTRICT
TODD K. CRANDELL	SEVENTH DISTRICT

B. APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

 Upon motion by Councilwoman Bevins, seconded by Councilman Jones, the reading of the Journal Entries for the meeting of August 7, 2017 was waived and accepted unanimously.

C. ENROLLMENT OF BILLS

 The Chairman stated that the following Bills were passed by the County Council and signed by the County Executive. He certified and delivered to the Secretary, Bills 42-17, 43-17 and 45-17.

D. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

BILL 51-17, entitled An Act for the purpose of amending the 2017-2018 Current Expense Budget, by appropriating to the Gifts and Grants Special Revenue Fund monies derived from state funds and made available to the County through the Maryland Department of Health.

BILL 52-17, entitled An Act for the purpose of amending the 2017-2018 Current Expense Budget, by appropriating to the Gifts and Grants Special Revenue Fund monies derived from federal funds and made available to the County through the Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration.

BILL 53-17, entitled An Act for the purpose of amending the 2017-2018 Current Expense Budget, by appropriating to the Gifts and Grants Special Revenue Fund monies derived from state funds and made available to the County through the Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration.

BILL 54-17, entitled An Act for the purpose of prohibiting the parking of certain vehicles on certain streets in the Dundalk Commercial Revitalization District; providing penalties; and generally relating to the parking of vehicles in the Dundalk Commercial Revitalization District.

BILL 55-17, entitled An Act for the purpose of limiting the time period during which an air cannon may be fired or discharged as part of the agricultural operations in certain Resource Conservation (R.C.) Zones; and generally relating to agricultural operations in R.C. Zones.

BILL 56-17, entitled An Act for the purpose of prohibiting the performance or display of wild or exotic animals for public entertainment or amusement; defining certain terms; providing certain exemptions; providing for enforcement and penalties; providing for the adoption of regulations to implement and enforce this Act; and generally relating to wild or exotic animals for public entertainment or amusement.

BILL 57-17, entitled An Act for the purpose of requiring certain lobbying registration information related to the comprehensive zoning map process to be posted on-line; and generally relating to lobbying registration.

E. CALL OF BILLS FOR FINAL READING AND VOTE

Bill 46-17, CEB – Continuum of Care Appropriation, Permanent Supportive Housing, was called. Andrea Van Arsdale appeared. Councilman Quirk moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

On page 1, in the title and on page 2, in line 7, strike “Appropriation, Permanent Supportive Housing”.

Councilman Jones seconded the motion and this amendment passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Kach, Jones, Marks, Bevins, Crandell
Nay - None

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Kach, Bill 46-17, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Kach, Jones, Marks, Bevins, Crandell
Nay - None

Bill 47-17, Employees Retirement System, was called. Councilwoman Almond commented. Councilman Jones then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendments:

On page 2, in line 13, strike “, having been passed”, and strike lines 14 and 15 and substitute “shall take effect forty-five (45) days after its enactment.”

Councilwoman Bevins seconded the motion and these amendments passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Jones, Bevins
Nay - Kach, Marks, Crandell

Councilman Kach and Councilwoman Bevins then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

1. On page 2, after line 15, insert “SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that, the repeal of Section 5-1-306 of the Code shall not apply, and shall be of no effect, to benefits conferred to a member under that section who was retired from county service for one year or more prior to returning to active service”.

Councilwoman Almond seconded the motion and this amendment passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Kach, Jones, Marks, Bevins, Crandell
Nay - None

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Quirk, seconded by Councilwoman Almond, Bill 47-17, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Kach, Jones, Marks, Bevins, Crandell
Nay - None

Bill 48-17, Zoning Regulations - R.C.8 (Environmental Enhancement) Zone, was called. Councilman Kach commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Kach, seconded by Councilwoman Almond, this Bill was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Kach, Jones, Marks, Bevins, Crandell
Nay - None

Bill 50-17, Employees Retirement System - Part-time Employees, was called. Councilmembers Quirk and Jones commented and then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendments:

1. On page 1, in line 3 of the Purpose Paragraph, after “as a”, insert “seasonal or”; and in lines 3 and 4 of the Purpose Paragraph, strike “with a public safety agency or in a public safety role”.
2. On page 2, in line 9, strike “AND”; after “(4)”, insert “, AND (5)”; in line 22, after “COUNTY”, insert “NOT TO EXCEED ONE YEAR”.
3. On page 2, in line 13, after “COUNTY”, insert “OR REVENUE AUTHORITY”; after “AS A” insert “SEASONAL OR”; in lines 14 and 15, strike “WITH A PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCY OR IN A PUBLIC SAFETY ROLE”; after line 23, insert the following:

“(4) THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL SHALL BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING THAT AN AGENCY INTENDS TO CONTINUE THE PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT, INCLUDING ANY RENEWALS OF THE INITIAL ONE YEAR TERM. THE NOTIFICATION SHALL INCLUDE A LIST OF THE NAMES OF THE PART-TIME EMPLOYEES, THE JOB TITLE, THE NUMBER OF HOURS TO BE WORKED PER WEEK, AND A DESCRIPTION OF THE JOB DUTIES. THE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT MAY BE APPROVED UNLESS WITHIN 14 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE NOTIFICATION, THE COUNTY COUNCIL REQUESTS IN WRITING THAT THE AGREEMENT, AND ANY RENEWALS THEREOF, BE FORWARDED TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL AT A LEGISLATIVE SESSION.”.

4. On page 3, in line 1, strike “(4)” and substitute “(5) (I)”; in line 2, strike “PARAGRAPH” and substitute “SUBSECTION”; after line 6, insert “(II) EXCEPT FOR A PERSON SELECTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT, A BENEFICIARY WHO RETURNS TO ACTIVE SERVICE MUST HAVE BEEN RETIRED FROM THE COUNTY FOR A PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN SIX MONTHS.”.

Councilwoman Bevins seconded the motion and these amendments passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Kach, Jones, Marks, Bevins, Crandell
Nay - None

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Kach, Bill 50-17, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Kach, Jones, Marks, Bevins, Crandell
Nay - None

F. APPROVAL OF FISCAL MATTERS

The Chairman stated that the Council would now consider Fiscal Matters. Extensive testimony on each item was taken at the Council's work session on August 29, 2017. The witnesses who testified at the work session were available to restate their testimony if needed. If a Councilmember had any questions regarding a particular Fiscal Matter, that item would be discussed as a separate matter. Chairman Quirk then called upon the Secretary to read the cover letters for Fiscal Matters 1 through 6.

1. Contract – DIW Group, Inc. T/A Specialized Engineering – Material testing (soils, aggregate and Portland Cement concrete) - DPW

A contract with DIW Group, Inc. T/A Specialized Engineering to perform a full range of material testing of soils, aggregate and Portland cement concrete.

2. Amendment #2 to Contract – Homeland Security & Management Solutions, Inc.-On-site interpretation services-HHS

Amendment #2 to the contract with Homeland Security & Management Solutions, Inc. d/b/a Dantli Corp, to increase the total compensation amount during the entire term of the agreement, including all renewals thereof, due to an increase in need for interpretation services. The contractor will continue to provide on-site interpretation services for medical, dental and WIC appointments for the Department of Health and Human Services.

3. Contract – PAC Industries, Inc.-Preventative maintenance-laundry & commercial equipment-Corrections

A contract with PAC Industries, Inc., to provide the preventive maintenance and repairs of laundry equipment, commercial equipment in the Detention Center and the Animal Shelter and residential equipment in the Shelters and the Fire Department.

4. Contract – Miller Environmental Group, Inc.-biohazardous/trauma clean-up services - PD

A contract with Miller Environmental Group, Inc., to provide bio hazardous and trauma clean-up services, to include inside and outside areas and automobiles, at various sites within or near the boundaries of Baltimore County, Maryland on a time and material basis.

5. Contracts – (2) – On-call electrical services – OBF

Two contracts with Action Electrical Contractors, Inc. and The Crown Electric Company, to provide on-call electrical service at various sites within or near the boundaries of Baltimore County, Maryland.

6. Contract – PrimeCare Medical, Inc. – Comprehensive medical, behavioral health, mental health & dental services-Detention Center-DOC

A contract with PrimeCare Medical, Inc., to provide the comprehensive medical; behavioral health, mental health and dental services to individuals housed within the Detention Center.

There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Quirk, seconded by Councilman Jones, Fiscal Matters 1 through 6 were unanimously approved.

G. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Correspondence - Non-Competitive Awards

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read the correspondence from the Office of Budget and Finance listing the non-competitive awards made during July, 2017.

2. Res. 73-17 – Amending the Perry Hall Commercial Revitalization District

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council for the purpose of amending the Perry Hall Commercial Revitalization District. Councilman Marks commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilwoman Bevins, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

3. Res. 74-17 – Property Tax Exemption – Blind – Tina Gross-Jones

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution to approve the refund of certain real property taxes collected from Tina Gross - Jones, who is entitled to a partial exemption from State and County real property taxes by reason of the exemption afforded to blind persons under State law. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Quirk, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

4. Res. 75-17 – Property Tax Exemption – DAV – Glenn D. Turk

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution to approve the refund of certain real property taxes collected from Glenn D. Turk, who is entitled to an exemption from real property taxes by reason of the exemption afforded to disabled veterans under State law. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilwoman Almond, seconded by Councilman Kach, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

5. Res. 76-17 – Property Tax Exemption – DAV – Robert Pringle

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution to approve the refund of certain real property taxes collected from Robert Pringle, who is entitled to an exemption from real property taxes by reason of the exemption afforded to disabled veterans under State law. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilwoman Bevins, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

6. Grant – Prologue, Inc. – Homeless Outreach Program – 609 Baltimore Avenue, Towson

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from the Administrative Officer, for a loan/grant to Prologue, Inc., to purchase the property at which they currently operate their Homeless Outreach Program, located at 609 Baltimore Avenue, in Towson, Maryland. Andrea Van Arsdale appeared. Councilman Marks questioned Ms. Van Arsdale. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilwoman Bevins, seconded by Councilman Jones, this loan/grant was unanimously approved.

7. Res. 77-17 – Property Tax Exemption – DAV – Walter Cancel

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution to approve the refund of certain real property taxes collected from Walter Cancel, who is entitled to an exemption from real property taxes by reason of the exemption afforded to disabled veterans under State law. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilwoman Bevins, seconded by Councilman Crandell, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

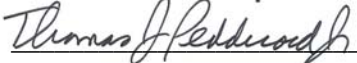
8. Res. 78-17 – Property Tax Exemption – DAV – Arthur L. Warren, Jr.

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution to approve to approve the refund of certain real property taxes collected from Arthur L. Warren, Jr., who is entitled to an exemption from real property taxes by reason of the exemption afforded to disabled veterans under State law. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Crandell, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

9. Res. 79-17 – Accept a donation from BCPS – School Buses – Public Safety Employees

This Resolution was for introduction only.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilwoman Bevins, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 P.M.


Thomas J. Peddicord, Jr.