

Howard County Council

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Public Hearing
Minutes (approved 4/7/2014)
March 17, 2014

Members Present: Calvin Ball, Council Chairperson; Courtney Watson, Vice Chairperson; Greg Fox, Council Member; Mary Kay Sigaty, Council Member; and Jennifer Terrasa, Council Member.

Staff Present: Sheila Tolliver, Administrator; Jennifer Sager, Administration; Meredith Beach, Legislative Assistant; Rozonna Hightower, Administrative Aide; Lisa Geerman, Legislative Audit Manager.

Meeting called to order at 7:37pm Meeting Adjourned at 8:46pm

- I. Chair opens meeting Pledge of Allegiance lead by Council Member Fox
- II. Chairperson announced: We will be hearing testimony tonight on legislation that was introduced at the legislative session on March 5, 2014. We will have a work session, if it is needed, on Monday, March 24 at 4:30 p.m. in the Banneker Room. This legislation will be given final consideration at our next legislative session; April 7 at 7:30 p.m. here in the Banneker Room. We will be calling people on each piece of legislation or for a group of related bills in the order in which you signed in. Please give your name and address for the record when you are seated at the podium. If you are the only speaker representing an organization, please identify that organization before you begin. Speakers who are the only witness from an organization will have five minutes to speak; all others have three minutes. You may not yield your time to another speaker or to a presentation. The timer will make an audible sound when your time is up. Please finish your sentence and respect others who are waiting to speak. If you have written testimony, please give it to our Administrator, Sheila Tolliver, for distribution and for the record. If you have not signed in through our electronic system, but wish to speak tonight, please see Meredith Beach of our staff for assistance in signing in.
- III. The following legislation was introduced by the Chairperson at the request of

the County Executive unless otherwise noted:

A. **Appointments**

- 1. Council Resolution 24-2014 Confirming the appointment of Dr. Anand Mattai to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.
- a. Bill will be withdrawn at the appointee's request. confirmed by Jennifer Sager, Administration
- 2. Council Resolution 25-2014 Confirming the appointment of Anthony E. Molinaro, Jr., P.E., to the Board of Electrical Examiners.
- a. Anthony E. Molinaro 2801 Hunt Valley Drive, Glenwood, 21738
- 3. Council Resolution 26-2014 Confirming the reappointment of Denny Patrick to the Howard County Agricultural Land Preservation Board.

B. General

- 1. Council Bill 8-2014 Introduced by: The Chairperson AN ACT to amend the compensation of the members of the Howard County Board of Appeals; and generally relating to the Howard County Board of Appeals.
- 2. Council Bill 9-2014 AN ACT establishing a tax credit against the County tax imposed on real property located adjacent to Route 1 that is renovated, upgraded, or rehabilitated, under certain conditions; establishing the amount, terms, conditions, and duration of the credit; providing for an application procedure and administration of the credit; and generally relating to property tax credits.
- a. Marsha McLaughlin, Director DPZ
- b. Larry Twele EDA
- 3. Council Bill 10-2014 AN ACT allowing certain fees-in-lieu to be used to create urban tree canopy; defining certain terms; allowing certain fees-in-lieu to be used for the maintenance of existing forests in accordance with State law; and generally relating to forest conservation in Howard County.

- a. Marsha McLaughlin Director, DPZ
- 4. Council Bill 11-2014 AN ACT changing the name of the Historic District Commission to be the Historic Preservation Commission; defining certain terms; allowing for certain single-site historic districts; clarifying certain membership of the Commission; extending certain voting deadlines; clarifying the advisory role of the Commission; clarifying certain powers of the Commission and staff; clarifying certain appeal provisions; and generally relating to the Historic District Commission.
- 5. Council Resolution 27-2014 A RESOLUTION adopting the Howard County Historic Preservation Plan.
- a. Beth Burgess Planning Manager, DPZ
- b. Fred Dorsey 10774 Judy Lane, Columbia 21044
- c. Grace Kubofcki (CB11-2014) 4801 Carmen Drive, Ellicott City 21043
- d. Jennifer Noyes 3116 Spring House Court, Woodbine 21797
- e. Alison Beale- Harpers Farm Road, Columbia for the League of Women Voters also read testimony from Barbara Russell
- f. John Slater 4993 Dalton Drive, Columbia 21045 President, Patapsco Heritage Greenway
- g. Theodore Marianni HC Historic Society, 16449 Ed Warfield Road, Woodbine
- h. Jenifer Johnson Upper Patuxent Archeological Group 5503 Bluecoat Lane, Columbia 21045
- i. Barbara Kelner 10061 Windstream Drive, Columbia
- 6. Council Resolution 28-2014 A RESOLUTION recommending the denial of Elizabeth Mullinix's request to terminate a Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation easement on property located on the south side of Carrs Mill Road, containing approximately 142 acres, more commonly known as the "Clevenger Farm".
- a. Joy Levy Administrator, HC Agricultural Land Preservation Program
- b. Mark Mullinix 13900 Howard Rd., Dayton 21036
- c. Marsha McLaughlin and Joy Levy DPZ

- 7. Council Resolution 29-2014 A RESOLUTION declaring that a total of approximately 22.58 acres of real property owned by Howard County and identified as the Mears Property and located along Lennox Road in Jessup is no longer needed for a public purpose; authorizing the County Executive to sell the property; waiving the bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; allowing the County to consider certain conditions when reviewing bids to purchase the property; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to convey the property if he finds that the land may have a further public use.
- a. Jim Irvin Director, DPW
- IV. **Adjourned**