

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FREDERICK COUNTY
MEETING MINUTES FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2009

Commissioner Jan Gardner, *President*, called to order a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County, Maryland, ("Board") for Thursday, February 26, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. Present were Commissioners David Gray, *Vice President*, Kai Hagen, Charles Jenkins and John L. Thompson, Jr. Also present were Ron Hart, County Manager and Patti Morrow, Recording Secretary.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Jenkins commented on the advertised Frederick County Public Schools finance position salaries.

AGENDA BRIEFING

The Board reviewed the public hearing to be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. regarding proposed fall 2008 water and sewerage plan amendments and the public hearing scheduled for 7:00 p.m. regarding Installment Purchase Program applications.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were presented on the consent agenda:

BID AWARDS

- Purchasing Memo #09-144 – Secure Document Shredding Services
- Award to: Blue Ridge Document Shredding, Inc.
- Award amount: Various rates

- Purchasing Memo #09-145 – New Traffic Signal at Guilford Drive and Industry Lane (Piggyback contract)
- Award to: Rommel Engineering and Construction, Inc. (Traffic signal construction services)
 - Econolite (Traffic signal cabinet and controller)
- Award amount: Not to exceed \$170,161.70

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BUDGET TRANSFERS

- BT-09-135, Accounting, Finance Division
- BT-09-136, Housing, Citizens Services Division
- BY-09-137, Family Partnership, Citizens Services Division

Commissioner Gray moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Hagen seconded the motion that passed 5-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Proposed Resolution Regarding the Spending of Federal Economic Renewal Grants – Commissioner Charles Jenkins

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the proposed resolution as amended. Commissioner Gray seconded the motion that passed 4-1 with Commissioner Thompson opposed.

Transit Stimulus Grant – Sherry Burford, Transit Services Division

Austin Abraham, Management Services Division, commented on the grant request.

Commissioner Gray moved to support the staff recommendation noting the support of additional hybrid buses and a shuttle bus should additional operating money be provided. Commissioner Hagen seconded the motion that passed 5-0.

(Commissioner Jenkins left the meeting.)

Bid Award – Purchasing Memo #09-143 - Contract to Provide Training and Consultation Services for Frederick County Head Start Program - Hal Good, Finance Division

Ann Silverman, Citizens Services Division, commented on the bid award.

Commissioner Hagen moved to approve the staff recommendation. Commissioner Gray seconded the motion that passed 3-1-1 with Commissioner Thompson opposed and Commissioner Jenkins absent.

(Commissioner Jenkins returned to the meeting.)

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Frederick County Hepatitis Clinic for Space at the Health Department – Austin Abraham, Management Services Division

Dr. Barbara Brookmyer, Health Services Division, and Constance Callahan, Frederick County Hepatitis Clinic, Inc., participated in the discussion of the MOU.

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Commissioner Gray moved to approve the MOU as presented. Commissioner Hagen seconded the motion that passed 5-0.

Construction Funding for Ballenger Creek Park Phase V Multipurpose Building – Sue Putnam, Public Works Division

Dave Ennis, Public Works Division and Paul Dial, Parks and Recreation Division, commented on the discussion.

Commissioner Hagen moved to approve the staff recommendation with the understanding the capital funds for the construction would be in FY 2011. Commissioner Gray seconded the motion that passed 4-1 with Commissioner Thompson opposed.

Small Business Revolving Loan Fund – Revised Guidelines – Laurie Boyer, Economic Development Division and Kathy Mitchell, Office of the County Attorney

Commissioner Gray moved to approve the staff recommendation. Commissioner Hagen seconded the motion.

Commissioner Thompson offered a substitute motion to abolish the small business loan fund. The motion died for lack of a second.

The vote on the original motion was 4-1 with Commissioner Thompson opposed.

Legislative Issues

John Mathias briefed the Board on the issues before the Frederick County delegation members.

Commissioner Gray moved to approve House Bill #477 regarding the retirement benefits for the Frederick County commissioners. Commissioner Hagen seconded the motion that passed 5-0.

It was indicated Commissioner Jenkins would testify at the hearing in Annapolis to support House Bill #477.

Commissioner Gardner gave a report on a recent Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) meeting.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – (3 MINUTE PRESENTATION)

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Lisa Baugher addressed the Board.

(Commissioners Gardner and Gray left the meeting at 11:35 a.m. Commissioner Gardner passed the gavel to Commissioner Hagen.)

QUESTIONS – PRESS

None.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Morrow
Recording Secretary