

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FREDERICK COUNTY MEETING MINUTES  
FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2010**

Commissioner Jan Gardner, *President*, called to order a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County, Maryland, ("Board") for Thursday, April 22, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners David Gray, *Vice President*; Kai Hagen, John L. Thompson, Jr., and Blaine Young. Also present were Ron Hart, County Manager and Mary Baker, Recording Secretary.

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS**

Commissioner Hagen wished everyone a Happy Earth Day.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**BID AWARD**

1. Purchasing Memo #10-173 – Engineering Services for Water and Sewer Lines on an Indefinite Delivery Quantity (IDQ) Basis to Replace Two Firms Previously Awarded Contracts  
Award to: Rummel, Klepper and Kahl, LLP; The Wilson T. Ballard Company and KCI Technologies, Inc.  
Maximum Fee for Task Order: \$300,000

**BUDGET TRANSFERS**

1. #BT-10-153, Solid Waste, Utilities and Solid Waste Management Division
2. #BT-10-154, Circuit Court

**CHANGE ORDER**

1. FY 2010 Patch and Repair of Various county Roadways, Contract No. C29919, Change Order No. 1 – Chuck Nipe and Tom Meunier, Public Works Division

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

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**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

**Waste Reduction Awards – Dawn Adams and Dave Helmecki, Utilities and Solid Waste Management Division**

Ms. Adams and Mr. Helmecki presented information regarding the awards.

The Board presented the awards to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. and Goodwill Industries of Monocacy Valley.

**Discussion of the FY 2011 Operating Budget – Mike Gastley, Finance Division**

Mr. Gastley presented information regarding the operating budget.

The Board approved by unanimous consent to place an advertisement to take to public hearing the ordinance to transfer dedicated recordation tax funds to general funds as reflected in the proposed operating budget.

Commissioner Thompson moved to reduce 13 budget categories by a share of \$25 million and increase the fixed charges by \$25 million, directing staff to take the \$25 million of current funding to the Board of Education (BOE) and put it into the BOE retiree healthcare trust fund by July 1, 2010. The motion did not receive a second.

Commissioner Thompson moved to adopt a resolution specifying that none of the money the county appropriated for the BOE was to be used for the purpose of financing the central office building. Commissioner Young seconded the motion that failed 2-3 with Commissioners Gardner, Gray and Hagen opposed. Commissioner Gardner noted this motion was now subject to the dead horse rule.

Commissioner Thompson moved to eliminate \$5,000 funding from the Weinberg Center for the Arts and put those funds into other post employment benefits. Commissioner Young seconded the motion that failed 2-3 with Commissioners Gardner, Gray and Hagen opposed.

Commissioner Thompson moved to eliminate funding to the Delaplaine Visual Arts Education Center. The motion did not receive a second.

Commissioner Thompson moved to eliminate funding to the Frederick Innovative Technology Center, Inc. Commissioner Gray seconded the motion that failed 2-3 with Commissioners Gardner, Hagen and Young opposed.

Commissioner Thompson moved to eliminate \$30,000 from the Frederick Arts Council. The motion did not receive a second.

(Commissioner Gray left the meeting.)

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Commissioner Thompson moved to eliminate funding to the Emmitsburg Up County Family Partnership. Commissioner Young seconded the motion that tied 2-2 with Commissioners Gardner and Hagen opposed and Commissioner Gray absent.

(Commissioner Gray re-entered the meeting.)

There was consensus to go to public hearing with the recommended operating budget as presented today.

**COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS**

Commissioner Gardner noted the Fire and Rescue Services Division would be conducting door to door smoke alarm checks beginning this coming Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Gill House

**QUESTIONS - PRESS**

None.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Mary E. Baker  
Recording Secretary