

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY MEETING
MINUTES**

Tuesday, November 5, 2019

Council Members M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President; Michael Blue, Vice-President, Steve McKay, Jessica Fitzwater, Kai Hagen, Jerry Donald and Phil Dacey were present for the meeting.

Also present were Ragen Cherney, Chief of Staff, County Council; Bryon Black, Assistant County Attorney; Sarah Ambrosio, Recording Secretary; and Nancy Luna, Executive Assistant, County Council.

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the first floor hearing room, Winchester Hall, 12 East Church Street, Frederick, Maryland.

The meeting began with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action on the Agenda

Council Member Kai Hagen moved to approve the agenda, as presented. Council Member Jerry Donald seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Public Comment was heard from:

- None

Business Items:

Budget Adjustments

- J-20-098 – Senior Services Division
- J-20-101 – Office of Sustainability and Environmental Resources
- J-20-103 – Senior Services Division
- J-20-104 – Family Partnership, Citizens Services Division
- J-20-105 – Family Partnership, Citizens Services Division
- J-20-106 – Utilities and Solid Waste Management Division
- J-20-117 – State's Attorney's Office
- J-20-119 – Sheriff's Office
- J-20-120 – and Board of Education School Construction Fund Budget Amendment #20-04 – Finance Division
- J-20-121 – Sheriff's Office

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- J-20-122 – Senior Services Division

Council Member Jerry Donald moved to approve budget adjustments J-20-098, J-20-103, J-20-104, J-20-105, J-20-106, J-20-117, J-20-119, J-20-120 and J-20-122 as presented. Council Member Kai Hagen seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Budget Adjustments *J-20-101* and *J-20-121* were pulled for a separate vote seeking further clarification and questions from council members.

Council Member Kai Hagen moved to approve budget adjustments J-20-101 as presented. Council Member Steve McKay seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Council Member Jessica Fitzwater moved to approve budget adjustments J-20-121 as presented. Council Member Steve McKay seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
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Approval of Minutes from October 15, and October 22, 2019

Council Member Steve McKay moved to approve the minutes from October 15, and October 22, 2019, as presented. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Confirmation of County Executive's Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Joyce Grossnickle, Office of the County Executive, presented the appointments recently made by County Executive Gardner. Ms. Grossnickle requested the Council's confirmation of the appointments as presented.

Retirement Plan Committee

Council Member Steve McKay moved to approve the appointment of Diane Fox and Mike Marschner to the Retirement Plan Committee to terms as presented by staff. Council Member Jerry Donald seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Workforce Development Board

Council Member Steve McKay moved to approve the appointment of Philip Brown and Molly Coughlan to the Workforce Development Board to terms as presented by staff. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

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Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 -- Donald	X		
District 2 -- McKay	X		
District 4 -- Fitzwater	X		
District 5 -- Blue	X		
At-large -- Dacey	X		
At-large -- Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer -- Keegan-Ayer	X		

2020 Legislative Package

The 2020 Legislative Package was presented to the council for discussion by Roger Wilson, Director Governmental Affairs.

Council Member Jessica Fitzwater moved to approve the 2020 Legislative Package with the removal of Position Statement 1, the Kirwan Commission Statement. Council Member Phil Dacey seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 -- Donald	X		
District 2 -- McKay	X		
District 4 -- Fitzwater	X		
District 5 -- Blue	X		
At-large -- Dacey	X		
At-large -- Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer -- Keegan-Ayer	X		

Council Member Jessica Fitzwater moved to approve Position Statement 1, the Kirwan Commission Statement on Innovation and Excellence in Education Support. Council Member Kai Hagen seconded the motion that passed 6-1, with Council Member Phil Dacey opposed.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 -- Donald	X		
District 2 -- McKay	X		
District 4 -- Fitzwater	X		
District 5 -- Blue	X		
At-large -- Dacey		X	
At-large -- Hagen	X		
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First Reading Calendar:

Scuba Diving in Mineral Mining District

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Council Vice President Michael Blue, briefed the Council on a proposed bill which will add “scuba facility” to the list of permitted uses within the Mineral Mining Districts.

Sustainable Monocacy Commission Bill

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer (on behalf of the County Executive), briefed the Council on a proposed bill which will Establish a Sustainable Monocacy Commission.

At 6:30 pm, Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer passed the gavel to Council Vice President Michael Blue.

Third Reading Calendar:

Bill No. 19-14 Illicit Discharges and Connections to the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) – Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer (on behalf of the County Executive)

Council Member M.C. Keegan-Ayer moved to approve Bill No. 19-14 Illicit Discharges and Connections to the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) as presented. Council Member Kai Hagen seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

(A copy of the adopted/enacted bill can be obtained from the County’s website, www.FrederickCountyMD.gov)

At 6:35 pm, Council Vice President Michael Blue passed the gavel back to Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer.

Public Hearing:

To Consider Bill No. 19-15 Revisions to the Retiree Benefit Trust of Frederick County, Maryland– Change in Composition of Investment Committee Bill

A public hearing was held, as duly advertised, on Bill No. 19-15.

Council President Keegan-Ayer reviewed the proposed bill that would amend the Retiree Benefit Trust of Frederick County, Maryland to change the composition of the Investment Committee formed under the Trust.

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Public Comment was heard from:

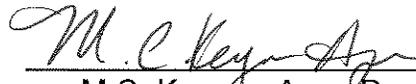
- None

Council Member Comments:

Council Member comments were provided.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President
County Council