

COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, August 8, 2023

Council Members Mason Carter, Jerry Donald, Kavonte Duckett, M.C. Keegan-Ayer, Renee Knapp, Steve McKay, and Brad Young were present for the meeting.

Also present were Catherine Keller, Assistant County Attorney; Ragen Cherney, County Council Chief of Staff; Nancy Luna, Executive Assistant, County Council; and Abby Boroughs, Administrative Assistant, County Council.

Council President Brad Young called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Opening Statement from Council President Brad Young

Council President Brad Young provided an opening statement at the start of the meeting. Included in that statement was a welcome to the Legislative Day for Tuesday, August 8, 2023, and information on how to watch and participate in the meeting. Council President Brad Young asked staff to call role and a quorum was established.

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

Action on the Agenda

Council Member M.C. Keegan-Ayer moved to approve the agenda for 08/08/2023 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 3 – Keegan-Ayer	X		
District 4 – Duckett	X		
District 5 – Carter	X		
At Large – Knapp	X		
Presiding Officer – Young	X		

Public Comment

Public Comment was heard from:

- Tony Checcia
- Danielle Adams

With no further comments, Council President Brad Young closed Public Comment.

Budget Adjustments

Council Member Steve McKay moved to approve the following budget adjustments:

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- J-23-368 – Circuit Court
- J-24-026 – Emergency Communications, Emergency Management Division
- J-24-027 – Accounting & Finance Support, Water & Sewer Utilities Division
- J-24-039 – Livable Frederick Planning & Design, Planning & Permitting Division
- J-24-040 – Family Services Division
- J-24-045 – Budget Office
- J-24-046 – Sheriff's Office

Council Member Renee Knapp seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 3 – Keegan-Ayer	X		
District 4 – Duckett	X		
District 5 – Carter	X		
At Large – Knapp	X		
Presiding Officer – Young	X		

First Reading Calendar:

a) Commercial and Industrial Business Tax Credit – Council Member Mason Carter

Council Member Mason Carter introduced a bill titled Commercial and Industrial Business Tax Credit.

Council President Brad Young passed the gavel to Vice President Kavonté Duckett in order to make a motion.

Third Reading Calendar:

a) Bill 23-14 - Amend Public School Zoning – Council President Brad Young

Council President Brad Young moved to approve Bill 23-14 – Amend Public School Zoning. Council Member Mason Carter seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 3 – Keegan-Ayer	X		
District 4 – Duckett	X		
District 5 – Carter	X		

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At Large – Knapp	X		
Presiding Officer – Young	X		

b) Bill 23-15 - Woodworking Zoning Text Amendment – Council President Brad Young & Council Member Mason Carter

Council President Brad Young moved to approve Bill 23-15 – Woodworking Zoning Text Amendment. Council Member Mason Carter seconded the motion that passed 6-1, with Council Member M.C. Keegan-Ayer opposed.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 3 – Keegan-Ayer		X	
District 4 – Duckett	X		
District 5 – Carter	X		
At Large – Knapp	X		
Presiding Officer – Young	X		

Council President Brad Young reclaimed the gavel in order to preside.

Public Comment

Public Comment was heard from:

- None.

With no further comments, Council President Brad Young closed Public Comment.

Council Member Comments

Council Member comments were provided.

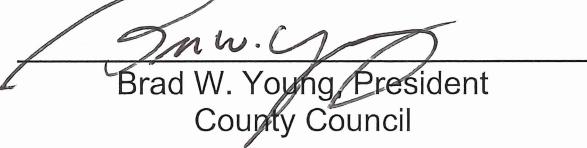
Upcoming Meetings

- Tuesday, August 15, 2023 – Legislative Day
- Tuesday, August 22, 2023 – Workshop

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

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Brad W. Young, President
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