

HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING: MAY 23, 2023

The Howard County Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included Council President John J. Roberts, Council Vice President Daryl Maple, Council Members Bryan Alexander, Tim Cuthbert, Martha J. Lake, Brett Sanders, and Frank Faulkner, County Auditor Jessica Secrease, and County Attorney Alan Wilson. The meeting was called to order and conducted by Council President Roberts.

Council President Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Councilmen Faulkner offered a word of prayer.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the regular meeting held on April 25, 2023, having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved on a motion made by Councilman Alexander. Councilman Faulkner seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE NO. 2023-HCCO-17 – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:

Auditor Jessica Secrease read Ordinance No. 2023-HCCO-17 – Additional Appropriations one time, and the ordinance was acted upon as follows:

Additional Appropriations and Reductions	Requested	Approved
<u>2528 FAMILY RECOVERY COURT GRANT FUND:</u>		
31110 Continuing Education	5,000.00	5,000.00
30006 Participant Transportation	2,500.00	2,500.00
30001 Special Projects & Incentives	2,500.00	2,500.00
32000 Intervention & Treatment	500.00	500.00
30005 Participant Housing	2,000.00	2,000.00
30000 Other Services & Charges	2,500.00	2,500.00
32640 Drug Screens	2,500.00	2,500.00
<u>TOTAL FAMILY RECOVERY COURT GRANT FUND:</u>	17,500.00	17,500.00
<u>9524 MENTAL HEALTH PSC GRANT FUND:</u>		
23749 Incentives – MHC	2,500.00	Tabled
32144 Travel & Training – MHC	3,000.00	Tabled
32642 Drug Testing – MHC	4,500.00	Tabled
<u>TOTAL MENTAL HEALTH PSC GRANT FUND:</u>	10,000.00	0.00
<u>TOTAL ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR ALL FUNDS:</u>	27,500.00	17,500.00

2528 Family Recovery Court Grant Fund:

Circuit Court Judge Lynn Murry requested to appropriate their State grant funding.

9524 Mental Health PSC Grant Fund:

No one was present to represent Superior Court II’s office to present the request. Consequently, President Roberts requested to table this request until the next meeting. A motion was made by Councilwoman Lake and seconded by Councilman Alexander to table to request. Councilman Faulkner opposed this motion. The motion carried.

The additional appropriations were approved on a motion made by Councilman Faulkner to approve Ordinance No. 2023-HCCO-17 – Additional Appropriations with the exception of the tabled request. Councilman Maple seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER RESOLUTION NO. 2023-HCCR-7 – TRANSFERS:

Auditor Jessica Secrease read Resolution No. 2023-HCCR-7 – Transfers one time, and the ordinance was acted upon as follows:

Transfer From	Transfer To	Requested	Approved
<u>1000 COUNTY GENERAL FUND:</u>			
<u>0007 Coroner:</u>			
11200 Chief Deputy	11700 Part-Time	29,039.08	29,039.08
<u>0225 Unified Courts:</u>			
32190 Transcripts	11215 Transcriptionist	12,000.00	12,000.00

1000 County General Fund | 0007 Coroner:

Coroner Dr. Steven Seele requested a transfer of appropriations to cover the cost of needing additional part-time work to cover shifts due to the lack of a Chief Deputy Coroner.

1000 County General Fund | 0225 Unified Courts:

Superior Court I Judge Matthew Elkin requested a transfer of appropriations to cover the cost of paying for Transcriptionist work for all of the courts.

Councilman Lake made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-HCCR-7 – Transfers as read. Councilman Alexander seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE. NO. 2023-HCCO-18 – SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS:

Auditor Jessica Secrease, read Ordinance No. 2023-HCCO-18– Salary Ordinance Amendments one time, and the ordinance was acted upon as follows:

Salary Amendments	Requested	Approved
<u>1000</u> COUNTY GENERAL FUND:		
<u>0007</u> Coroner:		
11200 Chief Deputy	(29,039.08)	(29,039.08)
11700 Part-Time	29,039.08	29,039.08
<u>0225</u> Unified Courts:		
11215 Transcriptionist	12,000.00	12,000.00

Councilman Faulkner made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2023-HCCO-18 – Salary Ordinance Amendments as read; Councilman Cuthbert seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS:

Turning Point Annual Update

Turning Point CEO Matt Oliver gave an update on Turning Point’s success since opening in November. He thanked the Council for all the support they have given to Turning Point.

Councilman Sanders Introduction

President Roberts introduced and welcomed the newest Councilman, Brett Sanders. Councilman Sanders stated that it was an honor to be on the Council and is excited for the opportunity to serve his community.

*There being no further business to come before the Council at this time,
the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m. on a motion made by Councilwoman Lake.
Councilman Faulkner seconded the motion, and the motion carried.*

HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL:

JOHN J. ROBERTS, PRESIDENT

DARLY MAPLE, VICE PRESIDENT

BRYAN ALEXANDER, COUNCILMAN

MARTHA J. LAKE, COUNCILWOMAN

FRANK FAULKNER, COUNCILMAN

TIM CUTHBERT, COUNCILMAN

BRETT SANDERS, COUNCILMAN

ATTEST:

JESSICA SECREASE, AUDITOR

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