

HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MARCH 27, 2012

The Howard County Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Richard Miller, Vice President Stan Ortman, and Members Jeff Stout, Joseph Pencek, Dwight Singer and John Roberts. Also present were County Attorney Larry Murrell and Auditor Ann Wells.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the February 28, 2012 Regular Meeting, having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved on a motion made by Mr. Stout and seconded by Mr. Ellison.

At this time Vice President Stan Ortman offered a word of prayer.

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE NO. 2012-HCCO-09 – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:

Auditor Ann Wells read Ordinance No. 2012-HCCO-09 – Additional Appropriations in full one time and it was acted upon as follows:

		AMOUNT REQUESTED:	APPROVED:
<u>001</u>	<u>Howard County General Fund</u>		
<u>005</u>	<u>Howard county Sheriff Department</u>		
01140.00	Court Security Officer	\$ 29,954.00	\$ 29,954.00

Sheriff Steve Rogers proceeded to justify this request by reminding the Council of the history of the added security equipment in the Courthouse and the two Security Officers that were hired to operate it. The Merit Deputy in charge of Courthouse Security would operate the machinery during lunches, vacations, and other time off. The Sheriff's Department continues to back-fill those positions, as well as Courtroom Security positions, but feels there is need for an additional security position to enable the Department to "better facilitate the Security Operation within the Courthouse; to allow us to be in these other buildings for security checks and so on throughout the day; this person could be utilized in other areas as well". Sheriff Rogers fielded questions from the Councilmen, and commented on the level of security needed at the Criminal Justice Center during the remodeling project time period. He may need additional security help during that time and will not be able to pull an officer from jail duty to cover the Courthouse.

A motion was made by Mr. Roberts to approve the additional request of \$29,954.00 to line item 01140.00, Court Security Officer. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ortman and carried. As a member of the Merit Board, Councilman Stout abstained from the vote.

<u>023</u>	<u>Howard County Commissioner</u>		
03122.00	Disaster Relief	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 625.00

Commissioner President Tyler Moore submitted a request of \$5,000 to line item 03122.00, Disaster Relief, to cover the expenses incurred when sending two heavy trucks and two employees from the Highway Department to aid in Disaster Relief in Henryville, Indiana. They also request additional funds to cover any future disaster relief efforts. Mr. Moore fielded questions from the Councilmen as to the actual expenses involved, and it was determined that those expenses totaled \$625.00.

The Board of Commissioners was commended for their action in this relief effort. A motion was made by Mr. Ortman to approve the actual expense of \$625.00 to reimburse the expenses for the Henryville relief effort. The motion was seconded by Mr. Singer. Discussion ensued to confirm that that claims had already been paid and the \$625.00 amount is to reimburse this account. The motion carried.

At this time President Moore presented a Certificate of Service to President Richard Miller in honor of thirty-five (35) years of service. President Miller graciously received the applause that followed.

TOTAL COUNTY GENERAL FUND		\$ 34,954.00	\$ 30,579.00
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515	<u>Howard County Sheriff Misdemeanant Fund</u>		
01521.00	FICA	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
04721.00	Equipment	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00

Sheriff Rogers submitted this FICA request to cover overtime for Corrections Officers. The Equipment request is for the replacement of chairs and tables in the Dispatch and squad room areas. These are allowable requests from the Misdemeanant Fund.

The request of \$1,000.00 to line item 01521.00, FICA and \$10,000.00 to line item 04721.00, Equipment, were approved on a motion made by Mr. Ortman and seconded by Mr. Singer.

TOTAL MISDEMEANANT FUND		\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00
TOTAL ALL FUNDS		\$ 45,954.00	\$ 41,579.00

IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION NO. 2012-HCCR-05 – TRANSFERS:

<u>001</u>	<u>Transfer From:</u>	<u>To:</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Requested:</u>	<u>Allowed:</u>
<u>018</u>	<u>Howard County General Fund</u>				
	<u>Howard County Maintenance</u>				
01117.00	Maintenance Tech	01115.00 Labor/Maintenance	\$ 19,300.00	\$ 19,300.00	

Buildings and Grounds Superintendent Scott Reed, just returned from back surgery last week, informed the Council that he has a Maintenance Tech who is retiring. He would like to rehire a position but it would be a Labor/Maintenance position (lesser salary) that would also apprentice to the tech position. Should another tech position retire, this position would move into the Maintenance Tech position.

A motion was made by Mr. Roberts to approve the transfer of \$19,300.00 from line item 01117.00, Maintenance Tech to line item 01115.00, Labor/Maintenance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stout and carried.

515	<u>Howard County Misdemeanant Fund</u>		
01122.00	Correction Officer Overtime	01115.02 Part Time Clerical	\$ 8,743.41 \$ 8,743.41

Sheriff Rogers would like to transfer funds into Part Time Clerical to help fund the clerical position in the Medical Department whose essential duties include gathering DNA, filing and pulling medical charts, copying files, etc. There was an excess of Correction Officer Overtime funds in 2011, and they can be used to help fund the Part Time Clerical position.

The transfer of \$8,743.41 to line item 01115.02, Part Time Clerical was approved as submitted on a motion made by Mr. Ortman and seconded by Mr. Ellison.

IN THE MATTER OF SALARY ORDINANCE NO. 2012-HCCO-10 – AMENDING SALARY ORDINANCE FOR 2012:

Auditor Ann Wells read through Salary Ordinance No. 2012-HCCO-10 – Amending Salary Ordinance for 2012 one time and it was acted upon as follows:

<u>001</u>	<u>Howard County General Fund</u>	<u>REQUESTED:</u>	<u>APPROVED:</u>
<u>005</u>	<u>Howard County Sheriff</u>		
01140.00	Court Security Officer (3) <i>Adding 1 new officer at \$29,954 plus the existing \$59,908</i>	\$ 89,862.00	\$ 89,862.00
<u>018</u>	<u>Howard County Maintenance Department</u>		
01115.00	Labor / Maintenance (4) <i>Adding 1 to the existing 3 at \$30,980</i>	\$ 123,920.00	\$ 123,920.00

Salary Ordinance No. 2012 – HCCO-10 – Amending Salary Ordinance for 2012 was approved as submitted on a motion made by Mr. Roberts and seconded by Mr. Ellison.

IN THE MATTER OF THE FEBRUARY SHERIFF COMMISSARY REPORT:

The February, 2012, County Sheriff's Report of Receipts and Disbursements of the Jail Commissary Fund was submitted and distributed.

*There being no further business to come before the County Council at this time,
the meeting was adjourned at 4:39 p.m. on a motion made by
Mr. Pencek and seconded by Mr. Ellison.*

HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL:

RICHARD H. MILLER, PRESIDENT

STAN ORTMAN, VICE PRESIDENT

JEFF STOUT, MEMBER

LESLIE ELLISON, MEMBER

JOSEPH PENCEK, MEMBER

DWIGHT SINGER, MEMBER

JOHN ROBERTS, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN WELLS, AUDITOR

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