

NOTICE OF AND AGENDA FOR:
HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING
HOWARD COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER
220 NORTH MAIN STREET, ROOM 338 (3RD FLOOR)
MONDAY, JULY 15th, 2024, AT 4:00 P.M.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance, Prayer
- II. Special Announcements / Recognitions
- III. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes
- IV. Departmental Business & Reports
 - A. *The Highway Department – Amber Tolle*
 - i. Bridge 56 Consultant Contract Award
 - B. *Maintenance Department – Bill Stonestreet*
 - i. Jail Hot Water Mixing Valve Replacement
 - ii. EMA Berkley Garage Furnace and A/C
 - iii. Jail Heat Pump Update
- V. New Business
- VI. Claims & Reports
 - A. Salary Claims
 - B. Payroll Expense
 - C. Operating Claims
 - D. Ratify Claims
 - E. Monthly Reports
 - F. Grants
- VII. County Attorney Issues
- VIII. Commissioner Issues
- IX. Public Comments
- X. Adjourn

JACK W. DODD, PRESIDENT
R. BRAD BRAY, VICE PRESIDENT
JEFF S. LIPINSKI, MEMBER

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING: JULY 1ST, 2024

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, July 1st, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included Commissioner President Jack Dodd, Commissioner Vice President Brad Bray, Commissioner Member Jeff Lipinski, County Attorney Alan Wilson, and County Auditor Jessica Secrease.

The meeting was called to order by Lieutenant Todd Prifogle and conducted by President Dodd. Commissioner President Dodd led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Commissioner Lipinski offered a word of prayer.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT/RECOGNITIONS:

Commissioner Lipinski read off the County Employees years of service, one year of service Kileigh Browning, Vanessa Bumgarner, Sheila Haynes, Justin Lovell, Stacha Pollard, and Layne Rider. Five years of service Kristina Armstrong, Trevor Richmond, and Joseph Washington. Ten years of service Scott Comfort. Twenty years James Vest. Twenty-Five years Mark Brubaker, Teresa Lidy, Scott Waymire. Thirty years Julie Watkins and Pam Martins. Thirty-Five years Lisa Ricks.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the June 17th, 2024, regular meeting, having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Lipinski to approve. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS & REPORTS:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Flu Shots Funding

Kelly Carpenter presents the Flu shots funding. A motion to accept the funding for the Flu shots was made by Commissioner Lipinski. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Bridge 45

Highway Superintendent Amber Tolle presents the winning bid for Bridge 45. The bid was from ENB paving and for \$455,000.00. A motion to approve the Bid was made by Commissioner Bray. Commissioner Lipinski seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

CR 1250 Reconstruction – Bid Opening

Highway Superintendent Amber Tolle presents 1250 Project Reconstruction, received 1 bid from ENB paving \$516,917.05. A motion to approve the review of CR 1250 Reconstruction project Bid by ENB Paving was made by Commissioner Lipinski

Bridge 56 Consultant Contract Agreement

Highway Superintendent Amber Tolle presents the BEGIS contract that she would like to award the winning bid to. The total amount is \$253, 100.00. A motion to approve the BEGIS contract was motioned by Commissioner Lipinski, Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motioned carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A representative from 4C health provided a company update to the commissioners.

Pam Isaac presented an appointment for the Taylor Regional Sewer District. Larry Hayes has agreed to serve the Taylor Regional district. A motion was made to approve Larry Hayes's appointment to the Taylor Regional Sewer District by Commissioner Lipinski. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bray, the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

Howard County Auditor Jessica Secrease submitted the following claims and reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Salary Claims:** The Commissioners' Salary, Hourly, and Overtime Claims for payment on June 28th, 2024, in the amounts of \$1,125,667.00, as well as for June 17th were submitted and approved on a motion made by Commissioner Bray to approve. Commissioner Lipinski seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. **Payroll Expenses:** The Commissioners' Payroll Expenses for payment on June 28th, 2024, in the amounts of \$1,255,667.00 were submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Bray to approve. Commissioner Lipinski seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
3. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners' Operating Claims to be paid on June 24th, 2024, in the amount of \$2,005,057.37 was submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Bray to approve. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lipinski, and the motion carried.
4. **Claims to Ratify:** Two Reconstruction loans, one is in the amount of \$46,464.00 and another of \$136,689.47.
5. **Monthly Report:** County Treasurers monthly report ending 5/31/2024. Commissioner President Dodd accepted.

COUNTY ATTORNEY ISSUES:

Attorney Alan Wilson presented a proposed resolution, approving three agreements with emerald green solar. First is a road use agreement by which the County agrees to permit use of the county roads and emerald green agrees to maintain, repair, reconstruct those roads as necessary. Second agreement is a drainage agreement by which the County agrees to allow emerald green to pass over or intersect county drains and again emerald green will agree to make sure if drains are damaged to repair. Third agreement is the decommissioning agreement which is what happens when the solar project comes to an end. The Resolution name will be Resolution 2024-BCCR-13. A motion made by Commissioner Lipinski to approve Resolution 2024-BCCR-13. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Attorney Alan Wilson also presented a second letter agreement for Tipton ward stone quarry, this agreement allows for use of county roads as necessary by the stone quarry even though it's in Tipton they will use some of the Howard County Roads and requires ward stone to repair any damage and improve any roads that are damaged during the project. A motion made by Commissioner Lipinski to approve letter agreement for Tipton Ward Stone. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Attorney Alan Wilson has two other agreements, an appraisal of the Firestone building which Commissioner President Dodd has signed, needing ratification allowing him for the appraisal. A motion to approve the Fire Stone Agreement was made by Commissioner Lipinski. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bray, the motion carried.

The second one is Consulting Services agreement with Hollowell Consulting. Ratification is needed of President Dodd's signature on the agreement. It has already been signed we've entered into the agreements the Commissioners

just need to ratify. A motion to approve the appraisal was made by Commissioner Lipinski. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bray, the motion carried.

COMMISSIONER ISSUES:

Commissioner Dodd discusses the nuisance problems the Commissioners have been hearing about lately in the county.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at this time the meeting was adjourned at 4:29 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Lipinski. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bray, and the motion carried.

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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ATTEST:

JESSICA SECREASE, AUDITOR

Howard County Commissioners' Meeting: July 1st 2024

COMMISSIONERS' SALARY CLAIMS

The following claims have been filed with this office and will be presented for approval to the Board of Commissioners, Howard County, at this regular session to be paid on July 12, 2024.

Complete details of salary claims, Longevity & Sign on Bonus may be seen in the office of the County Auditor.

Clerk	\$	23,994.95		Co. Gen Total	\$	744,387.24	
Auditor	\$	22,686.13					
Treasurer	\$	8,171.95		Health	\$	51,651.02	
Recorder	\$	7,912.49		Highway	\$	60,547.85	
Sheriff	\$	342,387.87		CASA	\$	6,962.46	
Surveyor	\$	13,185.70		Recycling	\$	11,437.42	
Coroner	\$	7,602.25		GCC	\$	9,496.98	
Co. Assessor	\$	8,572.02		Howard Haven	\$	10,480.78	
Prosecutor	\$	71,715.83		IT	\$	9,587.48	
Co Agent	\$	4,726.03		Magistrate	\$	3,507.46	
Veterans Svcs	\$	4,726.46		Kinsey	\$	92,212.39	
Center Assess	\$	6,517.33		Juv Probation	\$	23,064.56	
HR	\$	4,273.79		Comm Corr	\$	67,228.10	
Council	\$	3,435.11					
Commissioner	\$	12,676.80					
Museum	\$	5,731.89					
Superior I	\$	7,235.40					
Superior II	\$	7,235.40					
Superior III	\$	9,644.03					
Adult Probation	\$	48,215.57					
Superior IV	\$	7,235.40					
Circuit Court	\$	10,949.40					
Public Defender	\$	66,913.37					
EMA	\$	6,437.75					
Weights & Measures	\$	2,303.62					
Maintenance	\$	24,527.95					
Soil & Water	\$	5,372.75					
Sub-Total	\$	744,387.24	TOTAL	\$	1,090,563.74		

**Witness my Hand and Seal of the
Board of Commissioners, Howard County, On: July 15, 2024**

Jack W. Dodd, President

R. Brad Bray, Vice-President

Jeff S. Lipinski, Member

Jessica Secrease, Auditor

Signature Page for Howard County Payroll Expense Docket

Date 07/12/2024

Gross Payroll \$ 1,090,563.74

Total Amount of Payroll Expense Docket \$ 1,090,563.74

I approve that there is sufficient money in the bank account to pay out the attached docket.

Christie Branch, Howard County Treasurer

Howard County Commissioners

Jack W. Dodd, President

R. Brad Bray, Vice President

Jeff Lipinski, Member

Attest:

Jessica Secrease, Howard County Auditor