

**MINUTES OF THE KENT COUNTY LEVY COURT
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
KENT COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX
555 BAY ROAD, DOVER, DE
LEVY COURT CHAMBER, ROOM 203
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021**

Call to Order

The Business Meeting of the Kent County Levy Court was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Pepper.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation was led by Mr. Howell; the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Buckson.

Moment of Silence for our Troops and First Responders

A moment of silence was observed for our Troops and First Responders and led by Mr. Sweeney.

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Allan F. Angel	Vice President
Eric L. Buckson	Commissioner
Jeffrey W. Hall	Commissioner
Glen M. Howell	Commissioner
Joanne Masten	Commissioner
George W. Sweeney, Sr.	Commissioner
Terry L. Pepper	President

There are seven (7) Commissioners present at Roll Call.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M-21-085 **Motion** to Adopt the Agenda as presented was made by Mr. Angel; seconded by Mrs. Masten; carried by Roll Call vote seven (7) yeas.

APPROVAL OF LEVY COURT MEETING MINUTES OF TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021

M-21-086 **Motion** to approve Levy Court Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2021 made by Mr. Sweeney; seconded by Mr. Angel; carried by Roll Call vote seven (7) yeas.

PRESENTATION

National Fire Academy Certificate Presentation

TO: Levy Court Commissioners
Mike Petit De Mange, County Administrator

FROM: Chief Colin T. Faulkner, Director of Public Safety

RE: National Emergency Training Center

I am pleased to announce that Megan Moerman has successfully completed the U.S. Fire Administration's National Fire Academy's (NFA) "Managing Officer Program" (M0) Program.

Megan is a recently promoted Operational Staff Captain in the Department of Public Safety's Emergency Medical Services Division. Megan has been with our Department for approximately 13 years and has distinguished herself consistently by setting high standards not only for herself but for all of the functional/operational areas within the Division. She has excelled as a paramedic, supervisor, and now as an Operational Staff Captain.

Megan's most recent accomplishment represents her dedication to personal and professional excellence, and her commitment to enhance our department and community. This two year program, for which the National Fire Academy has recognized Megan with a diploma representing her course of study, is a proud achievement for Megan as well as Kent County.

We are pleased to recognize Captain Moerman's achievement through the recognition of the Kent County Levy Court.

Megan Moerman was accompanied to the front by Chief Colin Faulkner, Director of Public Safety for presentation of the certificate.

The Commissioners congratulated Megan on a job well done before inviting her family and friends to join her for photos.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Masten:

FY2022 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET: Introductions of the following Ordinances and Resolutions pertaining to the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget for Public Hearing on April 27, 2021 at 7 p.m.

1. Resolution 3867 – FY22 Property Tax Rate
2. Resolution 3868 – FY22 Old Mill Acres Suburban Park District Tax Rate
3. Resolution 3869 – FY22 Royal Grant Suburban Park District Tax Rate
4. Resolution 3874 – FY22 Eagles Nest Suburban Park District Tax Rate
5. Resolution 3870 - Kent County Disposal District No. 1 User Rates
6. Resolution 3871 – FY22 Kent County Library District Tax Rate (Unincorporated Areas)
7. Resolution 3872 - FY22 Milford Library District Tax Rate
8. Ordinance LC21-07, An Ordinance adopting the Annual Operating Budget for the Library Tax District of Kent County, Delaware for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021
9. Ordinance LC21-08, An Ordinance adopting the Annual Operating Budget for Kent County Delaware, for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022
10. Resolution 3873 - Command to the Director of Finance to collect Sewer Delinquent Accounts by District as of March 31, 2022

Mr. Buckson:

1. Introduction of **Ordinance LC21-09**, An Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of Kent County, Delaware pursuant to the provisions of Kent County Code, Vol. II, Chapter 205 Zoning, Article III, Section 205-8 and Section 205-9, and Article XXVIII (changes and amendments) effective December 01, 2000 (Z-21-01 Adiris M. Corders-Torres) for Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
2. Introduction of **Ordinance LC21-06**, Suitability of Basements - An Ordinance to amend Kent County Code, Vol. II, Chapter 187, Subdivision and Land Development, as amended by revising Article X – Required Improvements, §187-53, Minimum Requirements, Item B, Surface drainage facilities and erosion and sedimentation control in order to establish standards regarding the suitability of basements within major subdivisions for Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Angel:

M-21-087 I **Move** to go into Executive Session immediately following the Business Meeting for preliminary discussion on site acquisition for a publicly funded capital improvement; legal strategy session regarding collective bargaining or pending or potential litigation; and personnel matters pursuant to 29 Del. C. 10004(b) (2), (4), and (9); seconded by Mr. Sweeney; carried by Roll Call vote seven (7) yeas.

M-21-088 I **Move** to go into Executive Session immediately following the Committee Meetings of April 20, 2021 for preliminary discussion on site acquisition for a publicly funded capital improvement; legal strategy session regarding collective bargaining or pending or potential litigation; and personnel matters pursuant to 29 Del. C. 10004(b) (2), (4), and (9); seconded by Mrs. Masten; carried by Roll Call vote seven (7) yeas.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Mr. Petit de Mange reminded the Commissioners that this Thursday, April 15th at 3:00 p.m. there will be a virtual Delaware Association of Counties Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS - None

M-21-089 **Motion** to adjourn was made by Mr. Angel; seconded by Mr. Sweeney; carried by Roll Call vote seven (7) yeas. **7:20 p.m.**



Brenda Wootten
Clerk of the Peace
Kent County