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con·tempt

noun \kən-'tem(p)t\

law : speech or behavior that does not show proper respect to a court or judge

: willful disobedience to or open disrespect of a court, judge, or legislative body <*contempt of court*>

"Contempt." *Merriam-Webster.com*. Merriam-Webster, n.d. Web. 21 May 2014. <<http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/contempt>>.

On March 28, 2014 Baltimore County FOP Lodge #4 filed a Petition for a Motion of Constructive Contempt against Baltimore County, the County Executive Kevin Kamenetz, the County Administrative Officer Fred Homan, and the Director of Budget and Finance Keith Dorsey.

It was filed because Baltimore County failed to follow the order issued by Baltimore County Circuit Court Judge Finifter on March 6, 2014. This order directed them to restore the affected retirees to the proper subsidy and to reimburse them \$1,413,120.81 for overcharges in healthcare premiums. The petition requests the judge to penalize each of the above persons \$1,000 per day each until the order is followed. The County did file a response.

On April 14, 2014 Judge Finifter issued a show cause order for County Executive Kevin Kamenetz, County Administrative Officer Fred Homan, and the Director of Budget and Finance Keith Dorsey to appear on June 26, 2014 at 9:30 in Baltimore County Circuit Court for a hearing on the Petition for Contempt and show cause why the Court should not hold each in contempt and/or impose sanctions, including incarceration.

On April 17, 2014 after reviewing the FOP's motion to reconsider the inclusion of interest, Judge Finifter issued an Amended Judgment in the Retiree Subsidy case. The judgment awarded \$213,446.47 in pre judgment interest to the retirees. This, added to the original award, brings the total amount to \$1,626,567.28. Final judgment has been entered and interest will now begin to accumulate at the post judgment rate of 10%.



Representing the Professional Police Officers of Baltimore County





MEETING MINUTES

April 2014

- The April, 2014 General Business Meeting was held on April 28, 2014 at FOP Lodge 4. President Weston called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Sister Kraemer gave the invocation. President Weston led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

- Past President Caslin, Chaplain Merkle and Brother Lagna were excused. Brothers Zito and Caskey were working. Brother Rommel was on vacation. All other elected officers and Board members were present. Legal advisor Mike Marshall was also in attendance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- A motion was made by Brother Folio to accept the minutes of the March, 2014 General Membership Meeting. A second was made by Brother Speed. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

~ PRESIDENT WESTON ~

- March 25 Attended the Police Foundations Awards Ceremony.
- March 26 Addressed the In-Service training class.
- March 26-27 Conducted contract ratification voting.
- March 31 – April 4 Vacation

- April 9 - 10 Conducted Political Action Committee candidate interviews.
- April 11 - 12 Attended the Maryland State F.O.P. Meeting.
- April 14 Addressed the Enhanced Supervisor class and attended the bill signing for SB 436 and HB 598.
- April 15 Attended the Baltimore County Executive Budget message.
- April 16 Attended the FOP Lodge 5 Baltimore City school police general membership meeting with State Secretary Schubert.
- April 18 Met with representatives of Kaiser Permanente Insurance.
- April 21 Attended a Political Action Committee meeting and the Executive Board of Directors meeting.
- April 24 Attended a fundraiser for County Councilwoman Vicki Almond.
- April 28 Chaired the General Membership meeting.

~ 1st V. P. COMEGNA ~

- March 26 & 27 Assisted with contract ratification at Precinct #3, Precinct #4 and F.O.P. Lodge # 4.
- March 27 Completed the campaign finance deposit for February 2014.
- April 2 Attended a fundraiser for Vince Canales, Past President of F.O.P. Lodge # 89.
- April 9 & 10 Participated in a candidate interview.
- April 11 & 12 Attended the quarterly training session (Health Care Reform) and the quarterly meeting of the Maryland State FOP Lodge in Ocean

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IAS Cases

Michael Marshall

The Fourword is the official monthly publication of Baltimore County Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 4.

Fourword Editor

Kathryn Greenbeck

Precinct 8

- City.
- April 15 Attended the County Executive's budget message for FY 2015.
- April 21 Worked at the lodge office and attended a meeting of the Political Action Committee and the April Executive Board of Directors Meeting.
- April 22 Completed the campaign finance deposit for March of 2014.
- April 24 Attended a fundraiser for Baltimore County Councilwoman Vicki Almond (District # 2).
- April 28 Worked at the lodge office, attended a meeting of the Political Action Committee, a meeting of the Executive Board of Directors and attended the General Business Meeting.

~2nd V.P. ROSE~

- March 25 Attended the Police Foundation Awards.
- March 26 Met with representatives from Nationwide Deferred Compensation, conducted contract ratification voting at in-service training and Precinct 9.
- March 27 Conducted contract ratification voting at Precinct 9 and tallied the final votes at Lodge #4.
- March 31 Attended the State legislative committee meeting in Annapolis.
- April 2 Addressed in-service training and attended a fundraiser at FOP Lodge #3 for former President of Lodge #89 Vince Canales in support of his candidacy for a Prince Georges County Council seat.
- April 7 Attended Phase 1 at the range.
- April 8 Attended the Pension Board of Trustees meeting.

- April 9 Participated in PAC interviews of various candidates.
- April 10 Participated in PAC interviews of various candidates and attended the FOP Lodge #34 fundraiser event.
- April 12 Attended the Maryland State Lodge Meeting in Ocean City.
- April 14 Attended the Governor's signing of the Exclusionary Rule Bill and the Brady Bill in Annapolis.
- April 15 Attended the County Executive's budget message.
- April 16 Addressed in-service training.
- April 18 Met with representatives from Kaiser Permanente.
- April 21 Attended the Executive Board of Directors meeting.
- April 24 Attended a fundraiser for Council Woman Vicki Almond.
- April 25 Participated in the FOP Lodge 34 Golf Tournament.
- April 28 Attended the General Membership Meeting.

~TREASURER CASKEY~

- March 26-27 Assisted with contract ratification voting.
- April 9, 20, 27, and 28 Worked at the lodge.
- April 21 Attended the EBOD meeting.
- April 28 Attended the General Membership meeting, where I reported on the financial status of the lodge.

SECRETARY FOLDERAUER

- March 26-27 Assisted with contract ratification.
- April 9-10 Participated in candidate interviews with the PAC Committee.
- April 12 Attended the Maryland State FOP meeting.

- April 15 Attended the Executive's Budget Message to the County Council.
- April 21 Attended a PAC meeting and EBOD meeting.
- April 28 Attended the General Membership meeting.

**EXECUTIVE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS REPORT**

~ Kenny Schubert~

- An Executive Board of Directors meeting was held on April 21, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. Brother Joe Caskey was working. All other elected officers and Board members were present. Legal counsel Mike Marshall was also in attendance.
- Motions that were made, after receiving a proper second, were discussed, voted upon, and appear in this issue under the appropriate committee reports.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

~Don Patterson~

- Brother Patterson advised that the Lodge #4 Golf Tournament will be held on August 22, 2014 at Rocky Point Golf Course. Call the lodge for reservations.

**DONATION REVIEW
COMMITTEE**

~Paul Merkle~

- The Donation Review Committee met on April 21 and proposed the following donations:
- Motion to donate \$500.00 to the MD COPS Ride being held on June 8, 2014, to benefit the

Police Emerald Society of Baltimore, MD

**F.O.P. 34 Lounge
730 Wampler Rd Middle River, MD
For Tickets Call 443-864-1410**

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DJ QUEST

**June
7th**



**Domestic Bottles
Domestic Draft
Rail Drinks
Hot Food Buffet
There will also be a
Fire Sale on PES Merchandise**

- MD Chapter of COPS.
- Motion to sponsor two members in the amount of \$200.00 in their participation in the MS Walk being held on April 27, 2014.
- A request for a donation to the Explorer program was tabled.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

~Dave Rose~

- There was one grievance filed this month in reference to a question on the Corporal test. Attempts to resolve the dispute with the Administration in lieu of filing a grievance were unsuccessful.

LEGAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

~Dave Rose~

- The County has filed an appeal to the October 23, 2013 Board of Appeals decision in the Brandt Bradford case to the Circuit Court. At this time there is no hearing date.
- We have one (1) trial board pending.
- The County has filed for a Request for a Writ of Certiorari with the Maryland Court of Appeals in the Absence Control Policy case. The court has agreed to hear the case. It will be heard on June 4, 2014.

PENSION COMMITTEE

~Dave Rose~

- At the April Pension Board of Trustees meeting the Board approved 17 total retirements. Four of those were from the police department.

Baltimore County Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #4 2014 Candidate Endorsements

Baltimore County Council

First District	Councilman Tom Quirk
Second District	Councilwoman Vicki Almond
Third District	Delegate Wade Kach
Fourth District	Candidate Julian Jones
Fifth District	Councilman David Marks
Sixth District	Councilwoman Cathy Bevins
Seventh District	No Endorsement

Baltimore County Circuit Court Judges

Judge Colleen Cavanaugh
Judge Julie Glass
Judge Paul Hanley
Judge Justin King

Baltimore County Clerk of the Circuit Court

Julie Ensor

Maryland State Senate

Sixth District	Delegate John Olszewski Jr.
Eighth District	Senator Kathy Klausmeier
Eleventh District	Senator Bobby Zirkin
Twelfth District	Senator Edward Kasemeyer
Forty Second District	Senator Jim Brochin
Forty Fourth District	Delegate Shirley Nathan-Pulliam

Maryland State House of Delegates

Eighth District	Delegate John Cluster
Tenth District	Delegate Adrienne Jones
Eleventh District	Delegate Dan Morhaim and Delegate Dana Stein
Forty Second District	42A Delegate Steve Lafferty
	42B Delegate Sue Aumann and Delegate Joe Boteler
Forty Fourth District	Candidate Rainier Harvey

POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE

~Dave Rose~

- The committee received twenty-five (25) new policies to review this month. There were no issues. Many of the changes were strictly administrative in nature.

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

~Steve Comegna~

- The Political Action Committee met multiple times since the March 2014 General Business Meeting. Several candidates for various Baltimore County Council seats were interviewed. The

committee brought forth the following motions:

- A motion to endorse Wade Kach in the republican primary for the District # 3 Baltimore County Council race.
- A motion to endorse Julian Jones for the District # 4 Baltimore County Council seat.
- A motion to endorse Cathy Bevins for the District # 6 Baltimore County Council seat.
- The Committee also made several motions for PAC fund expenditures. Those motions were as follows:
- To transfer \$3600.00 to the campaign account for Delegate/Brother John Cluster

Association of
Baltimore County
Retired Police
Meetings 2014

September 2
November 4

All meetings are held at
Parkville Heritage Gardens at
7:30 p.m.

(District # 8).

- To transfer \$6000.00 to the campaign account for Julian Jones (candidate for Baltimore County Council District # 4).
- To transfer \$3000.00 to the campaign account for Wade Kach (candidate for Baltimore County Council District # 3).
- To transfer \$1000.00 to the campaign account for State Senator Jim Brochin (District # 42).
- To purchase one ticket to a fundraiser for State Delegate Shirley Nathan-Pulliam (candidate for State Senate in the new District #44) on May 01, 2014 . The ticket cost is \$100.00.
- To purchase one ticket to a fundraiser for State Delegate Dana Stein (District # 11) on May 07, 2014. The ticket cost is \$125.00.
- To purchase a sponsorship to a fundraiser for State Delegate Sue Aumann (District # 42B) on May 17, 2014. The cost is \$150.00.
- To purchase a sponsorship to a fundraiser for State Senator Bobby Zirkin (District # 11) on June 5, 2014. The cost is \$250.00.
- After interviewing four of the six candidates for the 7th District

Baltimore County Council seat, the committee was not able to come to consensus on a front runner/candidate to endorse for the primary election. The committee will make no endorsement in this race at this time.

- This report was presented to the Executive Board of Directors. They approved each motion.
- This report was presented to the membership at the April 2014 General Business Meeting. The membership approved these motions.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Brother Eric Brennan, First Vice President of the Police Emerald Society, presented two checks from the PES for the Schneider family and the Memorial Fund.
- Brother Pat Stonko advised members that he son, Joshua Stonko, is running for State Delegate in District 5, Carroll County. He advised members of a fundraiser being held on June 1, 2014 and asked for Carroll County residents to support his son by voting for him in the primary election.
- During the month of April, FOP Lodge #4 sent seven (7) cards and flower arrangements to bereaving members. Three (3) donations were sent in lieu of flowers at the family's request. Two (2) get-well baskets were sent to members. Fourteen (14) thank you cards were received.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Bereavements

**Retired Brother
Robert G. Anderson
Brother-In-Law of Retired
Brother Rob Garber**

**Retired Brother
William "Doc" Maeser**

**Claire E. Naimaster
Mother of Brother
David Naimaster**

**Irma H. Huber
Grandmother of Brother
Gregory Huber**

**Doris Flamm
Wife of Retired Brother
John H. Flamm**

**Sterling H. Fletcher, Sr.
Father of Retired Brother
Sterling H. Fletcher, Jr.**

**Marion R. Ries
Grandmother-in-Law of
Brother John Burgamy**

**Catherine D. Wills
Grandmother of Brother
Michael Aiosa and Sister
Rachel Aiosa**

**Mary C. Kastner
Mother-In-Law of Retired
Brother Joseph C. Lund**

**Patricia C. Arnold
Wife of Retired Brother
Charles H. Arnold**

**Helen Miller
Mother of Sister
Lisa Covington and
Grandmother of Sister
Candace Covington**



**BALTIMORE COUNTY POLICE
4th ANNUAL REUNION**

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OLD FRIENDS**

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CHECKS MAY AGAIN BE MAILED TO FOP LODGE 4 –C/O REUNION @ 9304 Harford Rd. 21234
INCLUDE A STAMPED SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE FOR THE MAILING OF TICKETS**

The June

**FOP Lodge 4
GENERAL
BUSINESS
MEETING**

will be held on

**Monday,
June 23, 2014
7:30 p.m.**

at
FOP Lodge 4
9304 Harford Road

The July

**FOP Lodge 4
GENERAL
BUSINESS
MEETING**

will be held on

**Monday,
July 28, 2014
7:30 p.m.**

at
FOP Lodge 4
9304 Harford Road