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Commissioners Discuss Post-Employment Health Insurance Benefits

Westminster, MD, Thursday, January 23, 2018 – Today, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) received a briefing on county commissioner retiree health insurance benefits. County Director of Human Resources Kim Frock presented a historical overview of the post-employment health insurance benefits for Carroll County Commissioners since 1990.

Recent discussions with members of the Carroll County Delegation highlighted an area of concern regarding commissioner post-employment benefits. Today's discussion verified the commissioners' authority to set the policy regarding post-employment as referenced in the Maryland Local Government Article § 12-201 Annotated Code of Maryland, which empowers the Carroll County Board of Commissioners to "establish a pension plan or group insurance program for the benefit of its officers and employees".

The BCC acknowledged the concerns and feedback from the delegation and assured the citizens that although the policy is legal, they will take this opportunity to review and possibly modify the policy locally. The commissioners will review the information presented in the briefing and follow up with a discussion and possible decision during open session next week.

The open session will be available for viewing on the <u>county meeting portal</u>, <u>YouTube channel</u>, and the county <u>Facebook page</u>. In addition, all meetings are replayed on Comcast Channel 24.

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