



# The Fourword

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## 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Bull, Oyster & Shrimp Roast



**Sunday, March 30, 2025**  
**1 p.m. to 5 p.m.**

**Boumi Temple**  
5050 King Ave | Rosedale, MD

**\$55.00 per person**

**Tickets Go On Sale**  
**January 6, 2025**

Music | Money Wheels | Raffles

Food by Atlantic Catering

Open Bar

Music provided by DJ

Representing the Professional Police Officers of Baltimore County



## **OCTOBER 2024 GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING**

The regular monthly meeting of the Baltimore County Fraternal Order of Police was held on Monday, October 28, 2024, 4:00 p.m. at Lodge #4. President Rose called the meeting to Order. Chaplain Kraemer led the membership in prayer and President Rose led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call of officers was conducted, 2nd VP Massey was working, Brother Caskey and Brother Sweren were on vacation. Past President Folderauer was excused. All other board members were present as was Legal Advisor, Mike Davey. A motion was made by Brother Krauch to accept the minutes from the September meeting. The motion was seconded by Brother Zito.

### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

#### **President Dave Rose**

October 1-7- Vacation  
October 8- Attended a Pension Board of Trustees meeting; Met with Capt. Trivett and Director Flagg to discuss a Classification and Compensation proposal.  
October 9- Attended fundraisers for Delegate Dana Stein and Councilman Patoka.  
October 10- Met with Deputy Administrative Officer Rebecca Young; Met with Councilman Pat Young to discuss upcoming legislation.  
October 13- Attended the 150th Anniversary Gala.  
October 15- Attended the Executive Board of Directors meeting.  
October 17- Met with Colonel Conger; Spoke with members at in-service training; Met with a member to discuss a disability retirement; Met with Jason Schultz to discuss the modified duty policy.  
October 18- Attended a meeting to discuss the RFP process for a pension consultant.  
October 21- Attended an Investment Committee meeting; Met with a member to discuss retirement options.  
October 22- Met with a member to discuss retirement options; Attended the Executive Board of Directors meeting with the Chief and his staff.  
October 23- Met with Delegate Grammer to discuss upcoming legislation; Attended fundraising event for Councilman Jones.  
October 24- Met with Tom Quirk and Jason Schultz; Met with a member to discuss retirement options;  
Attended a fundraising event for State's Attorney Scott Shellenberger.  
October 26- Attended an officer appreciation event at Farmacy Brewing.  
October 28- Attended a Negotiations Team meeting; Attended the General Membership meeting.

#### **First Vice President Mike DiCara**

October 3- Presented the Lodge update at In-Service Training.  
October 8- Attended the Sergeant's test item analysis meeting at OHR.  
October 9- Sergeant's test "cut score" meeting at OHR.  
Attended an event for State Delegate Dana Stein.  
Attended an event for County Council Chairman Izzy Patoka.  
October 10- Presented the Lodge update at In-Service Training.  
Attended a meeting with County Councilman Pat Young.  
October 11- Attended a retirement planning meeting with a member.

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October 13-	Attended the Department's 150th Anniversary Gala.
October 15-	Attended the October meeting of the Executive Board of Directors.
October 17-	Presented the Lodge update at In-Service Training.
October 22-	Attended the quarterly meeting between the Board of Directors and Chief McCullough. Attended the grand opening of the new County Health Clinic.
October 23-	Attended a meeting with State Delegate Robin Grammar.
October 24-	Presented the Lodge update at In-Service Training. Attended an event for Baltimore County State's Attorney Scott Shellenberger.
October 28-	Attended a meeting of the Negotiations Committee. Attended the October General Membership meeting.
October 29-	Attended a meeting of the Negotiations Committee.
October 31-	Presented the Lodge update at In-Service Training.

### **Second Vice President Ryan Massey**

October 13-	Attended Police Department 150th GALA.
October 15-	Attended EBOD monthly meeting.
October 28-	Attended Negotiations Committee meeting.

### **Lodge Secretary Donna Patterson**

- FOP Lodge 4's Compliance paperwork is ready for submission.
- A Per Capita payment has been submitted for the first half of 2025.

### **Treasurer Caskey**

- Reported on Lodge Finances.

### **Executive Board of Directors Chair Steve Comegna**

- The Executive Board of Directors met on October 15, 2024
- There were two motions brought before the Board during the meetings, both passed.
- The two motions will be under the PAC committee report.
- A motion was made by Brother Scally and seconded by Brother Barresi, to approve the reports of Officers. The motion passed.

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

### **Bullroast - Don Patterson**

- Next year's Bullroast will be on Sunday, March 30, 2025, 1-5 p.m. at the Boumi Temple, 5050 King Avenue, Rosedale, MD.

### **Bylaws - Ryan Franks**

- A Bylaws review committee will be formed to work on updating FOP Lodge 4's Constitution and Bylaws.

### **Donation Review - Ryan Franks**

- No report.

**Events - Don Patterson**

- No report.

**Expenditure Review - Matt Krauch**

- No report.

**Finance - Bob Caskey**

- No report.

**Grievance - Mike DiCara**

- Two members scheduled a meeting with OHR to review a protest question that was denied during item review. Due to a delay in that meeting, the members filed a grievance to preserve their rights before the 10 day limit. Based on the question review with OHR, the grievance was then dropped.
- The Military Affairs Committee met with County Attorney Benjamin to finalize the settlement of the Military Pension Credit Grievance. Legislation to implement the settlement is scheduled to go to the County Council on November 4th.

**Healthcare Review Committee - Mike DiCara**

- Open enrollment for 2025 will take place from 11/1/24 to 11/30/24.
- The 2025 benefits guides and rate sheets for both active and retired members are now posted to the County's website.
- Baltimore County has opened a medical clinic for County Employees.
  - It is located at 305 Washington Avenue in the County's new office building. It is a small facility on the model of an "urgent care" with two exam rooms and an on-site lab.
  - This facility is for County employees only and does not include dependents or retirees.
  - It is run by "Evernorth", a subsidiary of Cigna and is totally free for County employees.
  - There are no copays and your insurance isn't billed, which allows all County employees to use it, even those who don't have County insurance.
- This clinic will treat illnesses and minor injuries that do not require stitches or x-rays.
  - It will not be used for things like random drug testing or duty status examinations.

**Legal Advisory - Ryan Massey**

**Trial Boards**

S. Jones (10/22/24-postponed)

**Pending Trial Boards**

Davidson (11-6-24)

Wilkes (11-18-24)

Wilkes/ Edwards (11-25 & 11-26-24)

Jackson, Thomas (12-2-24)

Small (12-17-24)

Britton (1-7-25)

**Legislative - Ryan Massey**

- The Committee continues to monitor proposed Bills coming out of Annapolis.

**Membership - Matt Krauch**

- No report.

**Memorial - Donna Patterson**

- No report.

**Military Affairs - Mahindra Saywack and Dave Rose**

- Report filed under Grievance committee report.

**Negotiations - Dave Rose**

- Two meetings have been held as a committee to go through the numerous suggestions submitted in the last couple of months.

**Pension - Dave Rose**

- The Pension Board of Trustees met on October 8, 2024. A total of 21 retirements were approved and 2 were from the police department.

**Policy Review - Mike DiCara**

The Policy Review Committee received the following projects for consideration:

- P24-40, Uniforms - Ballistic Protective Soft Body Armor & External Vest Carriers
- Revised Court Charging Document Completion Policy P23-41
- Revisions to Field Manual, Article 16, Body Worn Camera Program (P24-41)
- Command Review P24-63, CJIS Requirements
- Command Review P24-50, Safe Haven Law

No bargaining issues were identified in any of the above policies.

- P24-04, Drug/Substance Policy.
- P23-24, Modified Duty.

Potential bargaining issues were identified in these policies, and a response was sent to the Department. Changes were made based on our request, and the policies have now received final approval from the Lodge.

**Political Action- Mike DiCara**

The following motions were passed by the Committee and brought forth to the Executive Board of Directors:

- Motion to purchase a \$300 Sponsorship to an event on October 23, 2024 for Baltimore County Councilman Julian Jones.

- Motion to purchase a \$300 Sponsorship to an event on November 20, 2024 for Baltimore County Councilman Mike Ertel.

These motions were passed by the EBOD and the General Membership.

**Retiree Matters- Carroll Bollinger**

- No report.

**Scholarship -Tim Caslin**

- College scholarship applications for Active and Retired members' children are available on-line or please contact the Lodge office at 410-668-0004.

**Uniforms/Equipment– Joe Brzozowski and Kevin Jobe**

- No report.

**Wellness - Rob Graff**

- The next Peer to Peer meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. at the lodge.
- A motion was made by Brother Stefanski and seconded by Brother Saylor to approve the Reports of Committees. The motion passed unanimously.

**Report from Legal Counsel-Mike Davey**

- No report.

**Old Business**

- In order for us to keep our mailing roster up-to-date, please notify us by email (office@foplodge4.org) or call us (410)-668-0004 of your current address and phone number when moving.

**New Business**

- A motion was made by Brother Cluster to endorse Larry Hogan for the Senate, it was seconded by Brother Bergin. The motion passed unanimously.

**Good of the Order**

- Sister Jen Denny will be teaching Yoga at 3:00 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of this month upstairs at the lodge.
- An email survey about daycare services Not being provided by the County will be out in the near future.

**Sick and or in Distress**

- Please continue to pray and think about those who are recovering from illnesses.

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**DELECTED OFFICERS**

David M. Rose  
**President**  
(443) 956-2643

Mike DiCara <b>1st Vice President</b> <i>FOP Lodge#4</i> (410) 299-8835	Ryan Massey <b>2nd Vice President</b> <i>CIB Homicide</i> (443) 865-0237
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Donna M. Patterson <b>Lodge Secretary</b> <i>Retired</i> (410) 365-8481	Robert W. Caskey <b>Treasurer</b> <i>Retired</i> (443) 956-2615
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W. Don Patterson <b>State Trustee</b> <i>Retired</i>	Matt Gonzalez <b>Sergeant at Arms</b> <i>Training</i>
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Kathy Kraemer <b>Chaplain</b> <i>Retired</i>	Dave Folderauer <b>Past President</b> <i>Retired</i>
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**EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Steven Comegna <b>Chairman</b> 410-409-0293	Ryan Franks <b>Vice Chairman</b> <i>OSS</i>
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Thomas G. Scally <i>Retired</i>	Doug Jess <i>PC-3</i>
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Dave Sweren <i>SOD/TAC</i>	Carroll Bollinger <i>Retired</i>
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Joe Peach <i>PC-11</i>	Matt Krauch <i>CIB-CACU</i>
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Ken Schubert <i>Retired</i>	Joe Brzozowski <i>PC-8</i>
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**LODGE STAFF**

Nancy Skinner — Administrative Assistant

**LEGAL ADVISORS**

Schlachman, Belsky, Weiner And Davey  
IAS Cases Michael Davey  
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**FOURWARD EDITOR**

Kathy Kraemer

**BEREAVEMENTS**

**Michael G. Monk**  
**Step-son of Brother Darren Anderson**

**Elizabeth “Libby” Eichelberger**  
**Mother of Sister Julie-Ann Ford**  
**and**  
**Aunt of Brother Kenny Nacke**

**Brother Glenn Wagner**

**RETIREMENTS**

**John Horst**

**Jimmy Waites**

**Douglas McManus**

**Eliot Latchaw**

**Donald Matulonis**

**George Mussini**

**Robert Lockwood**

**Kenneth Brown**



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The December  
**FOP Lodge 4**  
**GENERAL**  
**BUSINESS**  
**MEETING**  
  
will be held on  
  
**Monday,**  
**December 23, 2024**  
**4:00 p.m.**  
  
at  
FOP Lodge 4  
9304 Harford Road

The January  
**FOP Lodge 4**  
**GENERAL**  
**BUSINESS**  
**MEETING**  
  
will be held on  
  
**Monday,**  
**January 27, 2025**  
**4:00 p.m.**  
  
at  
FOP Lodge 4  
9304 Harford Road