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COMMISSIONERS OF POOLESVILLE
MEETING OF JULY 6, 2009

PRESENT: JERRY KLOBUKOWSKI, JIM BROWN, LORI GRUBER, AND EDDIE KUHLMAN. ALSO PRESENT WAS TOWN ATTORNEY, ALAN WRIGHT, AND TOWN ENGINEER, JOHN STRONG.

Call to Order

Mr. Kuhlman: Good evening ladies and gentlemen. We will call the July 6, 2009 Commissioners Meeting to order. For the record all Commissioners are present except for Mr. Hoewing who is on business tonight. Also present is the Town Engineer Mr. Strong and the Town Attorney Mr. Wright, first order of business the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

All: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Announcements

Mr. Kuhlman: Thank you. Any announcements? Mr. Yost is away on vacation for those wondering, any announcements.

Mr. Klobukowski: Well we all were at the Maryland Municipal League I picked up a lot of good stuff and...

Mr. Kuhlman: We are going to get into that Jerry, it's an agenda item.

Mr. Klobukowski: Oh that is right sorry about that. Go ahead.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Kuhlman: Ok all right approval of minutes of June 15, is there a motion for approval?

Mr. Klobukowski: So moved.

Mr. Kuhlman: Is there a second.

Ms. Gruber: Yes.

Mr. Kuhlman: All in favor?

All: Aye.

Open Forum and Citizens Comments on Agenda Items

Mr. Kuhlman: All right open forum anybody have anything? Comments on amend the 2005 Poolesville Master Plan required by House Bill 1141 for the Water Resource Element and Municipal Growth Element anybody? Seeing no hands we will go to the agenda, MML Meeting discussion.

New Business

Mr. Kuhlman: The Commissioners were except for Mr. Brown who had a personal obligation last week we were in Ocean City for the Maryland Municipal League Conference and Jerry I know you have a few things you would like to say.

Mr. Klobukowski: Well not really just that one of the things I picked up a lot of stuff some people say well what did you do, is it worthwhile, they had classes on risk management and municipal liability, government structure, pocket parks which I think

Annapolis and Gaithersburg have initiated, they talked about speed cameras what do you do now and talked about some green legislation which really centered around wind turbines, I've got a disc at home somewhere if I can find the bag that has a presentation that the Ocean City, I can't remember his title, gave concerning the location of wind turbines within municipal limits, what they have done about it, there is discussion there about green initiatives by, I can't remember the one municipality, Vienna that was it and a couple other people, so all in all it was pretty good, walked around picked up a lot of stuff, talked to various vendors about lighting and about new LED lights and their capabilities, what they can do what they can't do, longevity, and different manufacturers how they put their systems together and other than that that is basically it. I did find one thing I don't know if we addressed it but it has to do with 711 which is a line for people who are disabled with respect to speech or hearing impaired and it enables them to communicate with the outside world so I don't know if we might consider putting that on our website to alert any of our citizens that if they have issues in that area they can avail themselves of this service.

Mr. Kuhlman: All right, anything Lori?

Ms. Gruber: I attended the meeting with the grants and the new money, I didn't really find much direct information, they gave us websites to contact because they said it is a newly forming group. I also hit all of the sites, I touched on speed cameras, companies that can install and control speed camera systems with the thought of Montgomery County allowing municipalities without a police station to install camera systems. I also checked out the lighting and attended the first members meeting.

Mr. Kuhlman: Orientation?

Ms. Gruber: Yea.

Mr. Kuhlman: It was a busy week, Wade and I ended up in one class together on how to deal with foreclosures with past due water bills and if we have to go out and mow the grass, how to best protect yourself to get paid. Also had an opportunity to sit down and chat with Attorney General Gansler, Comptroller Franchot, had an opportunity to sit down and have a quick coke with the Governor, and it is always nice to be able to talk to those people face to face and get to the point where they know you by face instead of when you have to call over there and talk to somebody they don't know who you are and they can't put a face with your name.

Old Business

Mr. Kuhlman: All right that concludes new business, old business the amend the 2005 Master Plan, we had a public hearing on both of these amendments, there were no comments issued by the audience, is there any discussion or questions amongst the Commissioners?

Mr. Klobukowski: I assume we didn't get any written comments provided to us either?

Mr. Kuhlman: No. Hearing no questions or comments is there a motion for adoption of the both elements?

Mr. Klobukowski: I make a motion we adopt the Water Resource Element, Municipal Growth Element to the Town Master Plan?

Mr. Kuhlman: Is there a second?

Ms. Gruber: I second.

Mr. Kuhlman: Any discussion?

Mr. Klobukowski: Do we have to discuss it by, be annexed in the Master Plan or anything like that?

Mr. Kuhlman: It was in the public hearing Jerry I think we are good.

Mr. Klobukowski: All right good enough.

Mr. Kuhlman: All right all those in favor?

All: Aye.

Mr. Kuhlman: Motion carries unanimously.

Committee Reports

Mr. Kuhlman: Committee Reports, Planning Commission Mr. Coakley anything?

Mr. Coakley: We meet next Wednesday.

Mr. Kuhlman: All right Parks Board Mr. Brown?

Mr. Brown: We meet this Wednesday.

Mr. Kuhlman: CEDC.

Ms. Gruber: We are not meeting until the 22nd.

Mr. Kuhlman: All right anything from the missing Town Manager?

Mr. Strong: Nothing major the testing is taking place at well 7 that is under way and the ENR upgrade that is going to advertise starting next week, it has to run for 30 days and then it will go out to bidding process, state funding, we have emails now saying state funding has been acquired.

Mr. Kuhlman: Ok.

Mr. Brown: I have one thing, John I am sure I don't know if this is in our purview or not but as people probably saw the speed cameras down by my house were all shot gunned and I am sure it was probably...

Mr. Kuhlman: Why did you do that?

Mr. Brown: I was in bed but believe me I heard it.

Mr. Klobukowski: Really they were shot?

Mr. Brown: Both going in both directions have shotgun blasts on 2 sides, but I heard the 1 was disabled and I didn't test it but I heard that 1 was disabled but as long as I know the people everybody knows but it is sad.

Mr. Strong: Yea the actual company I saw them down at the MML and they were notified of the condition and our concern is about the firearms being used on them.

Mr. Brown: Yea I mean the speed cameras are 1 thing but having shotguns discharge that I heard 4 go off and there was 4 blasts on them total that had to make it past those boxes.

Mr. Strong: That is correct and the other thing that Wade and I noticed it when we were walking on the sidewalk laying out Fisher Avenue if you noticed there may be orange flags spread around and the surveyors are out there recovering the information. We noticed that it was probably more than just shotgun blasts also so the manufacturer has been notified. One other thing that is out there, there was a complaint about lights being out on Wootton Avenue between Fisher and Kohlhoss that we assume has been done by Allegheny Power as they were running their new line that came in Friday to us and that has been or not Friday, Thursday, sorry we were off on Friday, Thursday and Allegheny Power has been notified and we are trying to get a physical confirmation back that they did receive that information but they were notified.

Mr. Brown: Where were the streetlights?

Mr. Strong: It was between Kohlhoss and Fisher Avenue and I am assuming when they were doing the borings they clipped a line I don't know for sure but they have been notified because they were doing restoration there that Thursday.

Mr. Brown: Right thank you.

Mr. Klobukowski: Do you know if the west side of Tama were also...

Mr. Brown: They are not.

Mr. Strong: Yea it was the ones deep in Town.

Mr. Klobukowski: Ok.

Mr. Kuhlman: Ok anything else?

Ms. Gruber: Do you know if Mr. Yarmas' issue was taken care of, the swales. Was Mr. Yarmas' issue taken care of with the swales?

Mr. Kuhlman: Yes. All right just for the Commissioners and maybe for the public if they are concerned I received a call today from Bobbie Evans the Town Clerk and the Parks Board Wednesday night will be taking up an application I think from the Chamber of Commerce they want to use Whalen Commons out here prior to one of the musical events and sell beer and wine and have a social. The park regulations do allow for alcohol to be used in designated areas, I guess the Parks Board could find a way to approve it but if you have feelings on it you may want to get a hold of Parks Board Chairman or Commissioner representative Mr. Brown or show up at their meeting Wednesday night when the issue will be debated. All right anything else?

Citizens Forum

Mr. Kuhlman: Citizens Forum anybody have anything? Seeing no hands I entertain a motion for adjournment.

Adjournment

Mr. Brown: Motion for adjournment.

Mr. Kuhlman: Is there a second?

Mr. Klobukowski: Second.

Mr. Kuhlman: All in favor?

All: Aye.

Mr. Kuhlman: We are adjourned.