

FREDERICK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting for

October 18, 2017

*See video for further meeting details: <http://frederickcountymd.gov/5956/Video-Archives>*

Members Present: Anthony Bruscia, Chair; Bob White, Vice-Chair; Carol Sepe, Secretary; Bill Hopwood; Sharon Suarez; Craig Hicks

Members Absent: Sam Tressler

Staff Present: Jim Gugel, Planning Director; Tim Goodfellow, Principal Planner; Kathy Mitchell, Assistant County Attorney

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. MONOCACY RIVER PLAN – PUBLIC HEARING**

Public Hearing on the Recommended Monocacy Scenic River Management Plan for the Planning Commission to consider in its recommendation to the County Council.

**Staff Presentation:**

*Tim Goodfellow, Principal Planner  
Jim Gugel, Planning Director*

Mr. Gugel asked that the Commission address a request received from Lisa Bell, asking to extend her 3 minute public testimony to 30 minutes; in place of 9 other individuals collectively giving her their three minute time. Mr. Hopwood responded that recognized organizations, after providing their required documentation within a certain period of time prior to the meeting, are only permitted 10 minutes for one individual to speak on behalf of the group. He felt this request would set a precedent. Mr. White added that the Commission operates under the Robert Rules of Order, in which this type of request is not permitted, therefore Mr. White made a motion to deny the request. Mr. Hopwood 2<sup>nd</sup>.

VOTE	5-1-0-1
FOR:	5 – White, Hopwood, Bruscia, Suarez, Sepe
AGAINST:	1 – Hicks
ABSTAIN:	0
ABSENT:	1 – Tressler

Mr. Goodfellow opened the presentation by explaining that at tonight's hearing, the Planning Commission will receive input and testimony on the River Board's Recommended Plan. The Commission will then formulate comments and recommendations to send to the County Council. The County Council is the approving authority on the Recommend Plan in Frederick County and will conduct its own public hearing at a later date.

**Monocacy Scenic River Board Presentation:**

*George Grillon, Chair (Carroll County)  
Sam Roop, Vice-Chair (Frederick County)*

