

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FREDERICK COUNTY
MEETING MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2010

Commissioner Jan Gardner, *President*, called to order a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County, Maryland, ("Board") for Tuesday, June 15, 2010, at 8:30 a.m. Present were Commissioners David Gray, *Vice President*, Kai Hagen, John L. Thompson, Jr. and Blaine Young. Also present were Ron Hart, County Manager and Patti Morrow, Recording Secretary.

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NOTE: Copies of all staff reports are available in the OnBase system. If you need assistance with the OnBase system, please contact the recording secretary.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None.

WORKSESSION

Appointments to Frederick County Boards and Commissions – Joyce Grossnickle, Office of the County Manager

Frederick County Planning Commission

There was no public comment.

Ms. Grossnickle indicated a letter had been received from Mr. Joe Brown withdrawing his name from the application process.

Commissioner Gardner commented on the interview process.

Commissioner Gray moved to appoint Mr. Robert Lawrence to serve a five-year term effective July 1, 2010, and to expire June 30, 2015. Commissioner Young seconded the motion that passed 5-0.

Frederick County Board of Appeals (BOA)

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Hagen moved to appoint Carole Sepe as a regular member to serve a three-year term to take effect beginning July 1, 2010, and to expire June 30, 2013.

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Commissioner Hagen moved to re-advertise for the vacant alternate position on the BOA. Commissioner Gray seconded the motion that passed 5-0.

Resolution Approving the Issuance of a Bond in the Amount of \$260,578 by the Urbana Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. – John Kroll, Finance Division

Mr. Kroll briefed the Board on the request.

Mike Delauter, Esquire, Miles and Stockbridge, representing the Urbana Volunteer Fire Company, commented on the request.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Hagen moved to adopt the resolution approving the issuance of the bond for the Urbana Volunteer Fire Company and the agreement for the provision of firefighting services. Commissioner Gray seconded the motion that passed 4-1 with Commissioner Thompson opposed.

(A copy of the approved/adopted resolution can be obtained in the County Manager's Office or from the county's website, www.FrederickCountyMD.gov)

Presentation of the Commission on Aging's (Commission) 2009 Annual Report and Recommendation for Future Activities – Louise Lynch and RaeAnn Butler, Frederick County Commission on Aging

Ms. Lynch and Ms. Butler presented the report to the Board.

Other members of the Commission present were: Burt Shawver, Virginia Skelley, Lloyd Hoover, Steve Wilhide, and Diane Julian.

There were no public comments.

No action was taken by the Board, as the item was informational.

Mixed Use (Euclidean) and Highway Service Zoning Districts Draft Text Amendment – Eric Soter and Shawna Lemonds, Planning Division

Mr. Soter and Ms. Lemonds briefed the Board on a proposed text amendment that would provide consistency between the zoning ordinance and the recently approved comprehensive plan and zoning.

Ms. Lemonds provided the Board with comments from the Frederick County Planning Commission (FcPc).

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By unanimous consent the Board moved to revise the height of a single family dwelling to 35 feet in the mixed use zone.

It was indicated staff would discuss the planned development districts with the FcPc.

It was also noted staff would look at how to incorporate green roofs into the text amendment.

Public comment was heard from:

- Mark Friis, Rodgers Consulting
- Krista McGowan, Esquire, Miles and Stockbridge
- Bill DeTora, General Manager, FSK Mall

It was suggested to schedule an overall discussion on the topic for sometime in the future.

Proposed Updates to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF)
Ranking Criteria – Tim Blaser and Anne Bradley, Planning Division

Ms. Bradley presented the staff report briefing the Board on recommendations to be considered to the MALPF ranking system to incorporate the Priority Preservation Areas.

There were no public comments.

It was indicated staff would obtain an opinion from the Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board on the idea of extending for one year for every year there was no MALPF program to apply for.

Commissioner Gray moved to approve and support the staff recommendation to revise the MALPF ranking system. Commissioner Hagen seconded the motion that passed 5-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Changes to Drug Testing Rules for Employees Covered by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Regulations – Mitch Hose and Kristin Brandenburg, Human Resources Division

Ms. Brandenburg presented the request to change the drug testing rules for employees covered by the FTA regulations.

Commissioner Young moved to take the draft resolution through the public hearing process. Commissioner Hagen seconded the motion that passed 5-0.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

QUESTIONS – PRESS

None.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Patricia A. Morrow
Recording Secretary