

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FREDERICK COUNTY
MEETING MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2010

Commissioner Jan Gardner, *President*, called to order a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County, Maryland, ("Board") for Tuesday, August 24, 2010, at 9:00 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.

(Official Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners' meetings are kept on file in the County Manager's Office; the meetings are also video recorded. Approved minutes are available on the County's website. To receive a copy of meetings recorded on videotape or DVD, please contact the Board of County Commissioners at 301-600-1100 or visit the County's website at www.FrederickCountyMD.gov.)

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

Commissioner Gardner commented on the recent Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) summer conference. She mentioned the county display booth which had a live connection with the Office of Sustainability staff.

Commissioner Gardner noted a special recognition, held earlier this morning, for those county employees who were involved in the February blizzards earlier this year.

PUBLIC HEARING

Zoning Text Amendment #ZT-10-03 – Proposed Ordinance to Add Pawn Shop to the Category of Commercial Uses – Retail and Permit with Site Plan Approval in the General Commercial Zoning District – Mark Depo and Larry Smith, Planning Division

A public hearing was held, as duly advertised, to consider a proposed text amendment to add the use of pawn shop to the category of commercial uses.

Mr. Depo and Mr. Smith presented the proposed ordinance.

Public comment was heard from:

- Peter McDonald

Commissioner Gray moved to approve #ZT-10-03 which would add pawn shops to the general commercial zoning districts with an effective date of September 4, 2010. Commissioner Young seconded the motion that passed 5-0.

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

WORKSESSION

Appointments/Reappointments to Boards/Commissions/Committees – Joyce Grossnickle, Office of the County Manager

Local Management Board

There were no public comments.

Commissioner Hagen moved to reappoint Ms. Mary Nagle to serve a three-year term to expire June 30, 2013, and to appoint Mr. Richard Glover and Ms. Marsha Nelson-Duncan to serve as community agency representatives to fill unexpired terms that would expire June 30, 2012. Commissioner Gray seconded the motion that passed 5-0.

Workforce Development Board (Board)

There were no public comments.

Commissioner Gray moved to appoint Mr. Charles Hunt to the Board with no term assigned. Commissioner Hagen seconded the motion that passed 5-0.

Frederick County Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory Report – Community and Government Operations Baseline Data Year 2007 – Kelli Goetz, Office of Environmental Sustainability (OES)

Hilari Varnadore, OES, introduced the report regarding the county's greenhouse gas emissions for the community and government operations for 2007.

Ms. Goetz presented a PowerPoint presentation. Ms. Goetz reported that the OES had obtained funding from the U.S. Department of Energy's Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) program to conduct a greenhouse gas emissions inventory as a component of a broader climate, energy and green building initiative.

Staff was directed to pull the Eastalco numbers from the calculations for 2007.

The item was informational and no action was taken.

Community and Corridor Planning Process – Jim Gugel, Planning Division

Mr. Gugel provided an informational briefing on the community and corridor planning process.

Eric Soter, Planning Division, participated in the discussion.

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Public comment was heard from:

- Rand Weinberg, Esquire, Weinberg and Miller
- Virginia Floyd

(Commissioner Thompson left the meeting at 12:00 p.m.)

Commissioner Hagen moved to approve the staff recommendation to initiate the Jefferson Community Planning process as the first community plan and to initiate background preparation for the MD 85/MD 355 area for the first corridor plan. Commissioner Gray seconded the motion that passed 4-0 with Commissioner Thompson absent.

(Commissioner Thompson returned to the meeting at 12:05 p.m.)

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Gardner indicated she spoke with Mayor Randy McClement, The City of Frederick, and another meet and confer meeting would be scheduled on the Municipal Growth Element.

Commissioner Gardner also noted there would be another meeting scheduled regarding the Landmark annexation issue.

Commissioner Young was requested to get a position from the Maryland Municipal League on his proposed legislation regarding tax set-off.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Skkot Cody
- Richard Cody
- Bill Ashton

QUESTIONS – PRESS

None.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Patricia A. Morrow
Recording Secretary