

Virginia: At a Public Work Session Meeting the Accomack County Planning Commission held on the 11th day of December, 2007, in the cafeteria of Nandua Middle School in Onley, Virginia:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A. MEMBERS PRESENT AND ABSENT

Members Present:

Mr. E. Phillip Hickman, Chairman
Mr. William A. Sprague, Vice-Chairman
Mr. C. Robert Hickman
Ms. Stella Rohde
Mr. E. Bryan Turner
Mr. Jim Frese
Mr. Herbert Thom
Mr. Leander Roberts, Jr.

Members Absent:

Mr. Robert L. Nock

Others Present:

Mr. James M. McGowan, Director of Planning
Mr. Tom Brockenbrough, GIS Coordinator
Mr. Robert Testerman, Land Use Planner
Mr. Norman Pitt, Erosion and Sediment Control Inspector
Ms. Tonya Taylor, Administrative Assistant
Mr. Milton Herd, Planning Consultant

B. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order by the Chairman Hickman at 7:05 p.m. The Commissioners agreed to follow the Agenda.

2. PRESENTATION ON DRAFT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

Mr. Milton Herd gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Draft Comprehensive Plan.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

The following comments and questions were received from the public and others present:

- ◆ Where will the funding come from in order to implement a sliding scale, an agricultural leasing program, or other incentives to keeping the land open if landowners decide not to develop their land?
- ◆ How long will it take to prepare and adopt the new Zoning Districts discussed in the Draft Comprehensive Plan?
- ◆ The Bay Act should be extended to the Seaside.
- ◆ What are the Planning Commissioners going to do about the areas that have been already approved for rezoning or development? How will that affect their rezoning decisions for future land development?
- ◆ How many new housing units can our groundwater supply support?
- ◆ A request was made to have a new groundwater analysis completed.

- ◆ The Planning Commission has done a good job on the Comprehensive Plan and it needs to be adopted as soon as possible.
- ◆ Global warming and sea level rise information should be added to the Comprehensive Plan.
- ◆ Storm Surge Maps should be added to Comprehensive Plan.
- ◆ Developers should pay for infrastructure costs.
- ◆ Cash Proffers should be allowed.
- ◆ A time limit should be placed on how long developers have to own the property before selling it. Developers should not be allowed to build houses and then sell them to family members.
- ◆ Tighter regulations should be placed on special and conditional use permits.

Mr. Herd, Mr. McGowan, and Chairman Hickman responded to the comments and questions.

4. ADJOURNMENT:

On a Motion by Mr. Thom, Seconded by Mr. Turner, those present voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting to the Planning Commission Public Meeting scheduled for 7:00 PM on Wednesday, December 12, 2007, at Arcadia Middle School at Oak Hall, Virginia.

Chairman Hickman adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM.

E. Phillip Hickman, Chairman

Tonya Taylor, Administrative Assistant