

Accomack County Planning Commission Minutes of June 8, 2011

Virginia: At a meeting of the Accomack County Planning Commission held on the 8th day of June 2011, in the Board Chambers of the Accomack County Administration Building located at 23296 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A. MEMBERS PRESENT AND ABSENT

Planning Commission Members Present

Mr. E. Phillip Hickman, Chairman

Mr. Leander Roberts

Ms. Toni Trepanier

Mr. C. Robert Hickman

Mr. Alan Silverman

Mr. George Parker

Mr. Tony Picardi

Mr. David Lumgair

Members Absent:

Ms. Tammy Parks, Vice Chair

Others Present:

Mr. Tom Brockenbrough, GIS Coordinator

Mr. Robert Testerman, Land Use Planner

Mr. Mark Taylor, County Attorney

B. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

There being a quorum, Chairman Hickman called the meeting to order.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

Chairman Hickman stated that he wanted to add the following items to the agenda:

- A comment on the Atlantic Community Health Center CUP Application.
- A comment in reference to the hiring of a new Planning and Community Development director.

On a motion by Chairman Hickman and seconded by Mr. Parker, all present Commissioners voted Aye to accept the additions to the Agenda.

Mr. Silverman also stated that he wanted to add the following items to the agenda:

- New Business: Subject of Committee Work
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On a motion made by Mr. Silverman and seconded by Chairman Hickman, all present Commissioners voted Aye to accept the additions to the Agenda.

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Chairman Hickman indicated that the process for hiring a new Planning and Community Director was underway. He was included in the interview process and the second set of interviews is scheduled for June 24, 2011.

Chairman Hickman also informed the Commission, Staff, and public that he would be abstaining from any comments and decisions made towards the Atlantic Community Health Center CUP Application. So it also be known that he will not be a part of the Joint Public Hearing with the Board of Supervisors scheduled for Wednesday, June 15, 2011.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (Not a public hearing):

Chairman Hickman opened the floor for public comment period.

The following persons offered comments opposing the Atlantic Town Center Wastewater Facility:

Jack Waterfield

Wayne Roberts

Angela Wingfield

Ronnie Thomas

4. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Subdivision Agent Report

There was no Subdivision Agent Report from September 16 – October 15, 2011.

B. Atlantic Community Health Center CUP Application

There is a Joint Public Hearing with the Board of Supervisors scheduled for Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at 7:30 P.M. to be held in the Board Chambers Room.

Mr. Phillip Hickman abstained and gave the Chair to Mr. George Parker to discuss the Atlantic Community Health Center CUP Application.

Changes were made to one condition; the language is as follows:

- Condition #10: A landscaping plan shall be included when the Site Development Plan is submitted to Accomack County for review.

On a motion by Mr. Silverman and seconded by Mr. Picardi, all present Commissioners voted Aye that the Planning Commission include among its recommendation to the Board of Supervisors, an additional condition in compliance with the 200 foot setback relative throughout Route 13/Lankford Highway and the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. George Parker turned the Chair back to Mr. Phillip Hickman.

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C. VA Endeavor Solar Farm CUP Application

Staff and representatives from the Planning Commission made a trip to the University of Maryland Eastern Shore on May 12, 2011 to visit the existing solar farm. The trip answered some questions the Commissioners had.

The Commission discussed some of their concerns for the VA Endeavor Solar Farm CUP, those concerns are as follows:

- Bonding:
On a motion made by Mr. Robert Hickman and seconded by Mr. Lungair, all present Commissioners voted Aye to remove bonding from the applicant's list of requirements.

- There shall be only a single entrance. The second entrance to the property shall be used for emergency uses only.
- The vegetative buffer shall be on the outside of the fence. Also, there shall be extra buffers between the project and the historic church and from any existing homes.
- There shall be a grass maintenance plan in place.
On a motion made by Mr. Parker and seconded by Mr. Roberts, all present Commissioners voted Aye to not forward the CUP Application to the Board of Supervisors until the Commission has further reviewed the conditions presented by Staff.

D. Atlantic Town Center Wastewater Facility CUP Application

On a motion by Mr. Silverman and seconded by Mr. Roberts, all present Commissioners Voted Aye that the Planning Commission would form an ADHOC committee to establish communications with such other Planning Commissions that may be affected and have interest in the proposed wastewater facility.

Mr. Silverman made a motion that the following two conditions be put on the table and be tabled until the new Planning Director is hired:

- **On a motion by Mr. Silverman and seconded by Mr. Picardi, all present Commissioners voted Aye to bring to the table and table until the hiring of a new Planning Director, that the Planning Commission establish a committee to look into the nuisance ordinance of Accomack County.**
- **On a motion by Mr. Silverman and seconded by Mr. Phillip Hickman, all present Commissioners voted Aye to bring to the table and table until the hiring of a new Planning Director, that the committee look into the bylaws and make recommendations.**

5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

6. **OTHER MATTERS:**

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There are no other matters to report on at this time.

7. MINUTES

8. NEXT MEETING

The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for a Joint Public Hearing with the Board of Supervisors on Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at 7:30 P.M. in the Accomack County Board Chambers.

The next regular Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday July 13, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Accomack County Board Chambers.

9. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Parker and seconded by Mr. Picardi, all present Commissioners voted Aye to adjourn the meeting to the Public Hearing scheduled for June 15, 2011.

Chairman Hickman adjourned the meeting.

E. Phillip Hickman, Chairman

Hollis Fate, Administrative Assistant