

**MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS OF POOLESVILLE
APRIL 18, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Brown called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. All commissioners except Commissioner Dickerson were in attendance, as well as Town Manager Yost, Town Engineer Strong and Town Attorney Gullo.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Commissioner Klobukowski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Commissioner Klobukowski announced information regarding project delays for MCPS because of budget constraints. He also represented the Town at a ceremony to recognize a member of the library board.

Two seniors from Poolesville High School, Brianna Roche and Lauren Lightcap, gave a presentation regarding the implementation for a Public Assess Electric Vehicle Charging Station. Copies of the presentation were given to the Commissioners.

OPEN FORUM :

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Klobukowski moved to approve the minutes of April 4, 2016 as amended. Seconded by Commissioner Stump. Motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Synthetic Ice Rink

Town Manager gave a background of the program and request. The Parks Board met on April 6 to discuss the matter as well. Gabe Alboraz, Director of the Montgomery County Recreation Department, was present to address the matter with the Commissioners. He indicated that the Town was an appropriate location for this amenity. The general framework of a plan would be that the County would build the ice rink between \$70,000 and \$140,000 which would include the rink, grading and possible lights. The Town would then be responsible for maintenance, which is minimal. The lifecycle for this type of product is between 10 and 20 years. He indicated he believed the County would be responsible for ultimate removal/replacement at the end of the life-cycle. These details would be included in an MOU with the Town. He stated that this is a pilot program and is successful in other areas throughout the Country. The final size of the rink is still open for negotiation but the costs are currently for a 2,500 sq. ft. rink.

A memorandum dated April 18, 2016 from the Town Manager was given to the Commissioners outlining the specific points highlighted in the Parks Board meeting.

The Commissioners had some discussion regarding the specifics and specifications of the rink and arrangement.

Mr. Alboraz stated that the next step would be to do a site evaluation by the County to firm out the requirements and potential extra costs. Then an RFP would be issued regarding the installation of the product.

It is envisioned that the funding will come from the FY17 budget.

President Brown opened the meeting for public comment on the matter. Several members of the public offered comment.

By consensus the Commissioners agreed to direct the Staff to work with the County to develop an MOU for the project.

FY17 Budget Presentation

The Town Manager gave an overview of the proposed FY17 Budget. A motion was made by Commissioner Stump and seconded by Commissioner Halbrook to set a public hearing on the budget for May 2, 2017. Motion carried 4-0.

Arbor Day Proclamation

Commissioner Klobukowski outlined the Arbor Day proclamation and the program for the Arbor Day celebration that will occur at the local schools. Commissioner Klobukowski which was seconded by Commissioner Stump to adopt the Resolution. 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance 194 – Zoning Code Amendment

This amendment to the zoning code will exempt the Town from compliance with the Town Zoning Code. A motion was made by Commissioner Klobukowski and seconded by Commissioner Stump this Ordinance. Motion carried 4-0.

Charter Resolution 001-15 – Technical Revisions Borrowing Authority

The Town Attorney gave an overview of this ordinance and process which will occur after adoption. The ordinance brings the current Town Charter into compliance with the modern and accepted municipal financing terms. A motion was made by Commissioner Stump and seconded by Commissioner Halbrook to adopt the Resolution. Motion carried 4-0.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

The Town Manager reported that MDE as approved the Brightwell Well to come back on line. There have been certain infrastructure issues with pump and tank repairs this month. There have been several “roadblocks” on the matter of the State Road Take Over. Despite several requests and requests through other officials the State has not replied to any of the Town requests. It is suggested that the Town Officials approach the SHA director at the MML conference and prior to that time seek other levels of communication.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION

Commissioner Stump stated the Planning Commission has not met.

PARKS BOARD

Commissioner Halbrook stated the Parks Board spent most of their time on the ice rink proposal, but also issued some permits and discussed the fence extension at the Elgin Park. There was also discussion on seasonal parking problems at certain area and the curb in that area be painted yellow.

SCHOOL LIAISON

Commissioner Klobukowski outlined an event on May 12 at the High school where Poolesville residents can voice their concerns regarding Board of Education decisions.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn by Commissioner Stump and seconded by Commissioner Klobukowski. Motion passed 4-0.