

MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS OF POOLESVILLE
July 18, 2016

CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Brown called the meeting to order. Commissioners Stump, Halbrook, Klobukowski, and Dickerson, were in attendance, as well as Town Engineer Strong and Town Manager Yost.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Commissioner Klobukowski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Commissioner Klobukowski announced that he had attended the Maryland Municipal League (MML) convention in Ocean City. He discussed the courses he had attended

Commissioner Halbrook announced that the ribbon cutting ceremony for the dog park would take place on Saturday July 23 at 9:00 AM

Commissioner Brown discussed the MML convention and how beneficial it was as it corresponded to downtown revitalization and provided a network with other municipalities that have embarked on similar projects.

Commissioner Dickerson echoed the MML report.

OPEN FORUM:

No comments

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Stump moved to approve the minutes of June 20, 2016. Seconded by Commissioner Klobukowski. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

2016 Paving Contract Award - Engineer Strong presented the bids submitted for the paving of Wesmond, Elizabeth's Delight and Wootton Heights. After a short discussion regarding the bids, Commissioner Klobukowski motioned to award the contract to MT Laney in the amount of \$571,454.85 with a not to exceed of \$600,000. Commissioner Stump seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Renaming of the Montgomery County Pool - Commissioner Brown introduced the topic of renaming the pool to be named after Sarah Auer. He had spoken to the family for permission and thanked Commissioner Klobukowski for developing the idea. Commissioner Klobukowski then read his proposed letter that would facilitate the request. All Commissioners were in concurrence with the letter and request.

OLD BUSINESS

SHA Road Take-Over - Manager Yost and Engineer Strong provided a presentation detailing costs associated with owning the road and State programs that are available to apply for that could fund long standing streetscape improvement plans. After an extensive discussion including public input.

Commissioner Stump presented three options available. 1) Do nothing and live with the safety issues and missing sidewalk sections. 2) Hire a firm to do another concept plan, then lobby for grants. 3) Partner with the State under the Community Safety and Enhancement Program to redo Fisher Avenue from Elgin Road to Wootton Avenue at the State's expense and then accept ownership and control of the roadway.

After more discussion and detailing the multi year process that it would take, Commissioner Stump motioned to move forward with the take-over of Fisher Avenue. Seconded by Commissioner Dickerson. Motioned carried 5-0.

Fisher Avenue Streetscape - With the above direction being approved the decision to award a contract for a streetscape concept plan was tabled.

Electric Vehicle Charging Station - Manager Yost provided a brief on the grant program that would fund a dual charger and installation costs at no cost to the Town. The Commissioner discussed the merits and costs associated with a no payment system vs. a payment system. Typical usage costs about \$680 per year per charger. The payment hardware costs \$1,000 each unit and an annual internet connection fee. After a lengthy discussion, Commissioner Stump motioned to approve the free installation without a payment system but included a sponsorship program and/or donation box should be included. Seconded by Commissioner Klobukowski. Motion carried 5-0.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Manager Yost reported that the elevated storage tank interior painting was complete and back in service and that he had written an article on the Town's solar array for the MML magazine. He also reported that Commissioner Klobukowski had brought up the idea of turning a few of the Town's vacant lots into forest conservation areas and would report later on how that could be accomplished.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION

Commissioner Stump reported that the Planning Commission would be meeting later this week.

PARKS BOARD

Commissioner Halbrook reported that the Board had met earlier in the month and discussed permit applications.

Events- Commissioner Dickerson reported that the Red, White and brews was a huge success and that Eileen Whelan of Good Morning Washington would be doing her broadcast in Poolesville on Friday July 22nd.

School Liaison - Commissioner Klobukowski announced that Kevin Schramm had drafted a letter to the school board regarding class size and public policy.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Halbrook made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Stump. Motion passed 5-0.