

MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS OF POOLESVILLE
January 4, 2021

***** This meeting was conducted virtually through ZOOM with live time posting to YouTube. Notice of the meeting date, time and agenda were posted in advance, physically at the Town Hall and on the Town's Website. Prior to the start of the meeting, it was confirmed that the public could view the meeting on YouTube.**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Cook called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All Commissioners were in attendance. Town Attorney Gullo and Town Manager Rivard were also in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Commissioner Radigan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMISSIONER/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Brown reported on the Fair Access Committee and their efforts relating to White's Ferry. He indicated that a meeting will be held on Wednesday with several interested parties. Further the email "muster" list has now pushed out to 4,000 in support of the White's Ferry issue.

President Cook oversaw the presentation of Awards and Certificates (under New Business)

Commissioner Eck stated that the next Parks Board meeting would be held Wednesday.

Commissioner Radigan gave a detailed report on the Planning Commission meeting including the pending request related to the Willard Property and the Jamison property.

Commissioner Reed indicated the next meeting for Sustainable Poolesville was January 27th.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public wished to comment

OLD BUSINESS

1. Covid

Town Manager Rivard gave an update on the number of Covid cases in the Poolesville zip code.

2. Impact Fee Increase for Inflow and Infiltration

Town Manager Rivard gave a detailed overview of the I/I issue in the Town and the improvements and expenditures necessary to resolve the matter, no only to address current operational concerns but also to create added capacity to allow for additional development in Town. He is proposing a \$5,000 and outlined the calculation, therefore. Town Engineer Strong joined the presentation to discuss aspects of the I/I issue and answer questions. The Commissioner had numerous questions and much discussion on the matter and requested that this item be placed on a special work session agenda so that it could again be discussed in further detail.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Holiday Lighting Contest Awards

President Cook welcomed the judges of the Holiday Lighting Contest to the meeting. The winner was announced and will receive a certificate of recognition and gift cards to local businesses.

2. 2020 Certificates of Appreciation

President Cook gave Certificates of Appreciation to the coordinator of the Farmer's Market, Alicia Cozzi, and members of the 2020 Census team, George Coakley, Jerry Klobukowski, Monica Molina, Stephanie Graves, and Bill McDonald. These individuals were present and recognized at the meeting.

3. Update from Ethics Commission

Ethics Commission members Linda Bergofsky and Marcus Melton were present to give the yearly Ethics Commission Report. They indicated that the revised Financial Disclosure Form appears to be easier to complete as there were less errors. Further they advised that only one individual failed to complete the Form for 2019 and that individual is also a member of the Ethics Board that failed to attend any of the 2020 meetings. The Town Attorney advised President Cook of the Charter provisions governing attendance and vacancies and will prepare the necessary letter to the member that the position is now vacant.

4. Willard Project

A detailed presentation was made by Town Manager Rivard and the principals involved in the proposed Willard Project. The purpose of the presentation was to prepare the Commissioner to make a decision on the Planning Commission's position recommendation to approve the property with the Community Village overlay zone. The Commissioner asked questions and schedule a public hearing on the matter for February 1, 2021.

5. Meeting Schedule

Town Manager Rivard gave an updated 2021 Commissioner Meeting Schedule to the members.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Rivard gave an update on the pending issues in Town.

Commissioner Radigan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eck and carried 5-0.

A full video of the meeting can be viewed at Youtube.com, search Poolesville, the Town Commission meeting.