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GREATER SEVERNA PARK COUNCIL MINUTES



Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, October 27, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President Jerry Pesterfield at 7:35 pm at Woods Memorial Church. Six board members were present including Jerry Pesterfield, President; Michele Rose, Vice President; Al Johnston, Vice President for Public Affairs; Directors John Norville and Roy Higgs; and Kathy Michels, Secretary. A quorum was present.

Secretary's Report: The Minutes for the September 22nd Board of Directors Meeting were approved unanimously and filed for the record.

Treasurer's Report and GPSC Membership and Dues: President Pesterfield provided an overview of the Treasurer's Report dated October 27th submitted by Treasurer Steve Poland who was absent. President Pesterfield noted account activity in October included one transaction of \$70 deposited for Manhattan Beach dues for 2009 and 2010. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved and filed for the record. [**See Attachment 1**]

Speaker's Schedule-Calendar of Events for Remainder of Year and 2011: The confirmed speaker's calendar for November through December is attached for the record [**See Attachment 2**]. Board members discussed the following dates and recommendations for speaker's calendar:

November 9: *BRAC (Defense Base Closure and Realignment)*

- Mr. Pesterfield confirmed speaker will be Robert C. Leib, Special Assistant for BRAC/ Education to be held at the Severna Park Library

December 14: *NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT-CATHY VITALE*

- John Norville, Nominating Committee Chairman, presents Report of Slate of Candidates
- Cathy Vitale will attend and introduce her replacement as County Council Member for the 5th District

January 2011: *GSPC ELECTION RESULTS-GSP SURVEY RESULTS*

- Results of 2011 Election announced and elected Officers and Directors assume responsibilities
- Dan Nataf will present the final GSP Survey results. Mr. Johnston noted that Dan Nataf is currently running exit poll and has to move all theory/programming to new server, and implement decisions made to recapture responses

February 2011: *COMPREHENSIVE REZONING AND PLANNING LEGISLATION AGENDA*

- Comprehensive Rezoning and Planning Legislation agenda will be presented by Mr. Johnston—he noted that 24 cases are open and the GSPC needs to make decisions on its positions for review and approval

Zoning/Legislation Report by Al Johnston: *See Attachment 3* for the Report submitted on October 27, 2010, presented by Mr. Johnston. A copy is filed for the record. Following Report items were discussed:

Comprehensive Rezoning Planning and Zoning: Mr. Johnston noted that 37 zoning requests for potential zoning changes within the Greater Severna Park area have been filed with the county. Twenty-four applications are slated for projects along Ritchie Highway. He will make a presentation at the GSPC general meeting November 9.

Legislation, Planning, Zoning and Capital Projects:

- Bills 58-10, 59-10, and 60-10 enacted as amended for Articles 16, 17, 18 Implements General Assembly legislation-storm water management. Amendment 2, Bill 60-70 Zoning vetoed and overridden unanimously. Mr. Johnston noted that West County had some support and a lot of negative support on the comprehensive rezoning action.
- Resubdivision of platted subdivision: GSPC 17-3-204 Sketch Plan Community Meetings: Four members opposed but it passed anyway.
- Arundel Gateway Village Project: Two members opposed and couldn't get 3rd vote to overturn the county's approval of new zoning. Probably headed for court.
- General Development Plan: Copies have been circulated among board members for review and comment. Mr. Higgs will make 6 copies and send to Mr. Johnston to make available to delegates interested in reading.

Administrative Hearing Officer, Board of Appeals, MDE, Corps of Engineers Complaints:

- Ferry Point Marina and Twin Harbor dredging and dropping rocks at 6:00 am has been stopped. County is now doing the dredging.
- Park Ridge Subdivision funding for right turn lane at Earleigh Heights is moving forward and progressing.

Circuit Court Cases-Court of Special Appeals Cases:

- McHale, et. Al. (Little Dobbins Island) rezoning case: Record received at Board, Review March 2011. Mr. Johnston noted that current board will not see.
- Steve Curtis rezoning case hearing 2-3-2011 – New case Attorney Kelly Kenney assigned to case. Mr. Johnston noted that she is an excellent attorney

Pre-submission Community Meetings Calendar:

- Koch Homes, Review, Cathy Vitale, title and environment issues 10-13-10; presubmission meetings and then plan filed. 7 page response from residents of community – Arnold Preservation Team. Ms. Vitale to write letter and ask for concerns. Mr. Johnston noted that the new Board of Appeals Assistant Clerk, Susan Cline is a past president of Carrollton Manor and was supportive of the GSPC during her term as Carrollton Manor president.

Issue Related to BP Gas Station on Veterans Highway: Mr. Pesterfield noted that there are five lots behind the BP station and no one contacted the Severna Park Council regarding the environmental impact and rules regarding impact to communities within designated feet of the gas station. Received an informal apology from Larry Tomlin who is studying issue.

Nominating Committee: Nominating Committee Chair John Norville referred to the Minutes of the September 22nd Board Meeting, and noted that Brad Meyers has volunteered to be a candidate for Denny Stam's vacant board position. Mr. Norville will request volunteers/candidates for the board during the November 9th GSPC general meeting, and present the final Slate of Candidates Report on December 14th.

New Business:

- **"Move Over" Law:** Mr. Norville gave an overview of the new law effective October 1 that requires drivers to "move over" by a lane or to slow down when passing an emergency vehicle on the side of the road with its red or blue lights on. Violators will be issued a ticket carrying a \$110 fine and two points.
- **Coverage of meetings by Severna Park Voice:** Mr. Pesterfield noted that he will discuss with Lonnie Lancione the Voice's continued commitment to cover and report on the GSPC monthly meetings to keep the residents of Severna Park area informed.
- **Community Events vs. Political Events:** Mr. Pesterfield commented for the record that GSPC will support and provide information on community events but will not include specific political events in informational announcements.
- **Local School's Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC): Support for Changing Start and End Times of Middle and High Schools:** Mr. Pesterfield advised that CAC is supporting changes to the current early school start times to alleviate problems with bus transportation to middle and high schools. Same buses are used to transport all children to/from schools, and CAC believes it would alleviate some of the transportation problems being encountered to have later start times for middle and high schools to no earlier than 8:00 am at the very minimum. The Anne Arundel County Public Schools just received \$6.8 million dollars in "Race to the Top Funds," and it is being suggested that funds be used to pay for enough buses so that all students (elementary, middle, and high school) can go to school during hours that promote their safety, health, and learning by changing starts times for all schools to no earlier than 8:00 a.m. CAC is trying to get residents to contact the Board of Education to support the initiative to use the race to the top funds to support the initiative. Mr. Pesterfield noted that Brad Meyers advised some parents don't want to change the schedule because of sport schedules and events, and there are clearly two-sides to the issue with some parents supporting and some not supporting.

Vice President Michele Rose noted that SPHS CAC has supported this position for many years and has even offered to have a trial of it with the Severna Park feeder system. Suggestions on using the funds *must be made by Monday, October 25th, by going to the link: <http://aacps-survey.org/survey/survey.php?sid=66>*. It was agreed that the issue would be passed to Brad Meyers to handle and with CAC.

On a related noted, Michele Rose noted that SPHS has created a new position of a community liaison which has been filled by the immediate past president of the PTSO, Gwen Douma. She is interested in becoming more involved with the GSPC and Severna Park Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Rose has advised her to discuss her interests with Brad Meyers, the GSPC Education Committee chairperson.

Other Items Discussed:

- **Center for Study of Local Issues Anne Arundel Community College:** Mr. Norville suggested that Dan Nataf may be willing to speak at a future GSPC general meeting on the Anne Arundel Community College's "Center for the Study of Local Issues." The Center's primary activity is to provide students with engaged learning opportunities and enhanced civic engagement by participating in relevant, community oriented research projects. Mr. Pesterfield will follow up with Dan Nataf on his availability for 2011 Speaker's Calendar.

The Interactive Web site with presentations, survey findings and searchable database is available at <http://www2.aacc.edu/csli/>.

- **Guidelines for Solar Panels:** Mr. Johnston recommended that an agenda item be added to an upcoming GSPC general meeting to request that delegates share any guidelines they have incorporated into their by-laws regarding solar panels, and may want to suggest standards.

- **Updates to By-laws and Website:** It was suggested that the by-laws language for serving on the Board and Standing Committees be reviewed and updated along with the Web site after the first of the year. It was agreed that these items would be added to the calendar for action in 2011.

Next Meetings:

General Meeting: Tuesday November 09 - 7:30 pm Severna Park Library

Board Meeting: Wednesday December 1 – 7:30 Woods Church Library Room

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Very Respectfully submitted:



Kathleen J. Michels, GSPC Secretary
November 12, 2010

GSPC Board Meeting
October 27, 2010

Treasurer's Report

Account balances (as of 10/26/2010)

BB&T checking	= \$ 5,091.01
SmithBarney money market	= \$ 609.19
SmithBarney CDs (5)	= \$25,000.00

Beautification Trust Fund balance (as of 10/26/2010)

BankAnnapolis	= \$ 2,470.55
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Account activity in October (mtd)

BB&T

Dues deposited	= \$ 70.00
Checks cleared	
--None	= \$ 0.00

SmithBarney

Money Market	= \$ 0.00
Interest	= \$ 0.00

BankAnnapolis (Beautification Fund)

Interest	= \$ 0.00
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GSPC SPEAKER CALENDAR-PLANNER
NOVEMBER THROUGH DECEMBER 2010
JANUARY – FEBRUARY 2011
(as of October 27, 2010)

- NOVEMBER 9 BRAC (Base Realignment & Closure)
Confirmed at Severna Park Library
- DECEMBER 14 NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Committee Chair John Norville presents final Report of Slate of Candidates
Cathy Vitale will introduce newly elected Anne Arundel County Council Members
- JANUARY 2011 ELECTION RESULTS
Dan Nataf will present the final GSP Survey results
- FEBRUARY 2011 COMPREHENSIVE REZONING AND PLANNING LEGISLATION
Presented by Al Johnston, Vice President for Public Affairs

GSPC Zoning/Legislation Agenda 10-27-10, Boldface=Your Attention, Regular Typeface= Information/follow.

Legislation, Planning, Zoning and Capital Projects:

Bills 58-10, 59-10 & 60-10 enacted as amended for Articles 16, 17 & 18 introduced 7-6-10, Implements General Assembly legislation-storm water management. **Amendment No. 2, Bill 60-10 Zoning, Vetoed and overridden unanimously.**

GSPC Amendments: not introduced: GSPC 16-1, 16-2-107 Appeal period for grading permit; GSPC 17-1, 17-2-107 Community Meetings; GSPC 17-2, 17-2-109 Outstanding violation prevents appeal; SPC 17-3, 17-3-801 Amended Record Plat approvals; GSPC 17-4, 17-1-101 (53.1) Resubdivision Definition; GSPC 17-5, 17-3-901 Resubdivision of platted subdivision; **GSPC 17-6, 17-3-204 Sketch Plan Community Meetings;**

EPA "Pollution Diet" Meeting 10-13-10, TMDL processes. Final allocations Due 12-31-10

General Development Plan, Copies to Board Members for review 9-14-10, pass on to Board Member.

Growth Action Network, <http://growthaction.net/#news>,

9-19-10 Review of pending Bills 58-10, 59-10 & 60-10, GSPC Amendments. Amendment No. 2 Bill 60-10

Candidate Forum, Pascal Center, 10-19-10, 6-9PM. County Executive, County Council Candidates, Anne Arundel Community College, Annapolis & Anne Arundel County Chamber of Commerce and CAPITAL-GAZETTE NEWSPAPERS are the sponsors. Dan Nataf will organize.

Candidate Forum, Calvary Methodist Church, Annapolis, MD, Monday 10-18-10, 7:00PM (downstairs) County Executive Candidates only, Severn River Association is the sponsor.

Administrative Hearing Officer, Board of Appeals, MDE, Corps of Engineers, Complaints:

Webpage for AHO: <http://www.aacounty.org/AdminHear/Calendar.cfm>, Webpage for Board of Appeals:

<http://www.aacounty.org/BdofAppeals/Calendar.cfm>

Ferry Point Marina dba Magothy Seafood Restaurant 700 Mill Creek Rd (Twin Harbors, Manhattan Beach)

Zoning Enforcement Supervisor Joannie Casey-Coleman visited site and objected to Drag Line Crane on R5.zone.

Park Ridge Subdivision, Stormwater facilities, sewer connection,(Cypress Landing, Jennings Road)

Corkys Smoke Shack, 500 Ritchie Highway, (410) 544-4440, setback from property line. Inspector Ann Hatcher will visit site 3-3-10. Roadside Vendors License issued 1-26-10, Sign in County ROW 3-23-10.

BA 30-10V J. Schulz, 11-10 6:30, 192 Seven Way-Arnold, Variance-stairs & accessory structure-setback, slopes.

Board of Appeals Deliberations: 11-3-10, (Seven cases, No Severna Park cases)

Circuit Court Cases (Clerk of Court 222-1431)

Court of Special Appeals Cases, Clerk 410 260-1450, Court of Appeals Clerk 410-260-1500.

Case 60, 2009 Term, McHale, et al, (Little Dobbins Island), dismissed by Board of Appeals, Multiple Parties

(CBF, MRA, CAC), 4-30-10 Remand-Board of Appeals-standing. Record received at Board, March 2011 review.

Case 2250 Sept Term 2007 Steve Curtis v. AA Cnty (Circuit Court Case C-07-120132, BA82-02A) Application for C2 in R2 zone, Applicant argued County Council made a mistake for not affirmatively considering during rezoning,

(Crain West). Consent Order, New District Court Petition for Contempt Order District Court 6-25-10 Subpoena

Hearing 2-3-2011, New Case #0702SP029622010, Service?, Attorney: Kelly Kenney, Paralegal.Rita Grindle.

Pre-submission Community Meetings Calendar at: <http://www.aacounty.org/LandUse/CalendarPreSub.cfm>

Koch Homes, East Joyce Land. William Dodd-Koch, Review, C. Vitale, title & environment issues 10-13-10.

Vitale alternative to statutory pre-submission meeting-community response. Pending GAN meeting 11-18-10.

Sketch Plans Approved (None in GSPC area)

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