Planning Commission Meeting Minutes for June 28, 2021

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM. The pledge of allegiance was read by everyone in attendance.

2. Opening

Present in attendance were the following. Chair-Mark Long, Vice-Chair-Joyce Rosensteel, Secretary-Glenn Blanchard, Alternate member-Kevin Hagen, Board Liaison-Joe Ritz

Absent: Bernard Franklin

3. Review and approval of minutes

* May 24, 2021

Minutes were approved unanimously, 5-0

4. Public Comment

None

5. Review and consideration of agenda items:

A vote was taken to end the regular meeting and go into the public hearing. A motion was made by Glenn Blanchard, and seconded by Joe Ritz. The motion was passed unanimously 5-0.

*A. File No. 2021-02:

1. Public hearing and recommend approval of Resolution 2021-01R.

Proposed amendment to Chapter 3 of the 2015 Comprehensive Plan to the Mayor and Board of Commissioners for consideration.

Mr. Gulden entered Exhibit A, proposed comprehensive plan amendment, and Exhibit B, State of Maryland Agency's comment package, into the public hearing record. Exhibits A & B are attached to the meeting minutes.

Public Comment - Amy Boehman from 328 Mountaineers Way spoke about concerns on the development of the new Comprehensive plan. She is concerned about the possible collector road going near the Community Park behind her house. She voiced interest in the planting of trees to be a buffer for any noise coming from the collector road.

A vote was taken to resume the regular meeting. The motion was made by Joe Ritz, and seconded by Joyce Rosenstel. The motion was passed unanimously 5-0.

A motion was made by Glenn Blanchard to recommend approval of Resolution 2021-01R, proposed amendment to Chapter 3 of the 2015 Comprehensive plan, to the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Joyce Rosensteel. The vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0, with Commissioner Joe Ritz abstaining from the vote.

B. New Business

Chair Mark Long brought up concerns about affordable housing for any future development in Emmitsburg and stated that thought should be put into this topic for the new comprehensive plan.

6. Other business

A discussion was held to move up the starting time of the planning meeting to 7:00 from 7:30. A motion was made by Glenn Blanchard, and seconded by Joyce Rosensteel. The motion was approved unanimously, 5-0.

The next meeting is scheduled for July, 26th at 7:00.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25.