

## ACCOMACK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 8, 2017

At a meeting of the Accomack County Planning Commission held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February 2017, at Accomack County Department of Social Services, 22554 Center Parkway - Accomac, Virginia.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT AND ABSENT**

##### **Planning Commission Members Present:**

Mr. David Lumgair, Jr., Chairman  
Mr. Spyridon Papadopoulos, Vice-Chairman  
Mr. Brantley Onley  
Mr. Lynn Gayle  
Mr. Stephen Corazza  
Mr. Roy Custis  
Mr. Leander Roberts, Jr.

##### **Planning Commission Members Absent:**

Mr. C. Robert Hickman  
Mrs. Angela Wingfield

##### **Others Present:**

Mr. Rich Morrison, Director of Planning and Community Development  
Ms. Kristen Tremblay, Assistant Planner  
Ms. Jessica Taylor, Administrative Assistant

#### **DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

There being a quorum, Chairman Lumgair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**On a motion made by Mr. Custis and seconded by Mr. Corazza, the Planning Commission voted to adopt the agenda.**

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (not a public hearing)

Chairman Lumgair opened the floor for the public comment period.

1. **Ronnie Thomas – Atlantic, VA** Provided a hand-out to staff and Planning Commission. Mr. Thompson spoke against the proposed Floating Agriculture District.
2. **Sue Mastyl – Harborton, VA** Provided a hand-out to staff and Planning Commission. Ms. Mastyl requested that the Planning Commission move forward and amend the Poultry Ordinance as the VIMS study will only address environmental concerns.
3. **Joe Betit – Pungoteague, VA**  
Mr. Betit requested that staff confirm the groundwater withdraw numbers in the 2016 Poultry Report.

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### 4. Jay Ford, Virginia Eastern Shorekeeper – Belle Haven, VA

Mr. Ford expressed that while he understood and appreciated the haste taken to amend the Poultry Ordinance, he would like to see an additional change made related to the setbacks beginning from property lines versus structures.

*A copy of the material provided to the Planning Commission may be viewed at the Accomack County Department of Planning and Community Development in Accomac, Virginia.*

### 4. MINUTES

#### A. January 11, 2017

**On a motion made by Mr. Corazza and seconded by Mr. Custis, the Planning Commission voted to approve the January 11, 2017 minutes as presented.**

#### B. January 24, 2017

**On a motion made by Mr. Gayle and seconded by Mr. Corazza, the Planning Commission voted to approve the January 24, 2017 minutes as presented.**

### 5. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Poultry Monitoring Status Report and Presentation

Mr. Morrison reviewed updated information related to Poultry from 2016 through January 30, 2017.

Mr. Custis requested that staff report on how many new poultry sites have been developed within the County, in addition to the number of houses..

Staff informed the Planning Commission that due to staffing issues within the Department, they had not yet attended a Delmarva Land and Litter Group meeting. Mr. Corazza volunteered to attend on behalf of the Planning Commission.

Chairman Lungair requested that staff report on information related to taxes the County will receive from poultry houses/operations.

*Staff's presentation may be viewed online at: <http://www.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public>*

### 6. OLD BUSINESS

#### A. Poultry Ordinance Amendment (Section 106-232) – Remove Considerations of Special Use Permits in Residential and General Business Zoning District

Ms. Tremblay informed the Planning Commission that the Board of Supervisors had directed the Planning Commission to amend the Confined Poultry Ordinance to remove consideration of Special Use Permits in the Residential and General Business Zoning Districts and reviewed the draft Poultry Ordinance Amendment proposed by staff.

**On a motion made by Mr. Gayle and seconded by Mr. Corazza, the Planning Commission voted to schedule a public hearing at its March 8, 2017, meeting to amend the Confined Poultry Ordinance to remove consideration of Special Use Permits in the Residential and General Business Zoning Districts.**

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**B. Floating Zone District Discussion**

The Planning Commission received maps showing buffers along Route 13, to preserve for business interests and Incorporated Towns.

It was requested that staff return to the work session with additional maps showing wetlands, transmission lines, eliminate the one (1) mile buffer, and show the ‘what is left’ area.

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Morrison took a moment to thank staff for their diligent work over the last few months with the workload and vacancies within the Department. He also informed the Planning Commission that interviews for the Deputy Director of Zoning had begun and he hoped to have a candidate chosen by the end of February.

**8. NEXT MEETING**

The next Planning Commission work session is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Accomack County Airport in Melfa.

The next regular Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Accomack County Board Chambers, Room 104, in Accomac.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**On a motion made by Mr. Onley and seconded by Mr. Corazza, the Planning Commission voted to adjourn the meeting.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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David Lumgair, Jr., Chairman

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Jessica Taylor, Administrative Assistant