

## Town of Port Deposit Planning Commission Meeting Minutes April 27, 2023

Vice- Chair Davidson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Vice Chair Davidson via Zoom, Commissioner Baron, Commissioner Komisar, Councilman Berlin

via Zoom, and Town Administrator Rinkerman.

ABSENT: Chairman Heck

MINUTES - Minutes from the March 23, 2023 Meeting were postponed.

ANNEXATION RESOLUTION 04-2023 - Town Administrator Rinkerman presented Annexation Resolution 04-2023 to enlarge the corporate boundaries of the Town of Port Deposit by annexation of 33-acres of land consisting of 3 parcels, more or less, on Liberty Grove Road and Susquehanna River Road, in the seventh election district of Cecil County, known as "The Hopkins Quarry Property". She advised that the property has a deed restriction since it was purchased with program open space under the Department of Natural Resources Parks and Recreational program. The property must be developed for recreational purposes only. The resolution recommends a R1 single family residental district.

Motion was made to Commissioner Baron to recommend approval of Annexation Resolution 04-2023 to the Town Council. Seconded by Commissioner Komisar. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

Annexation Resolution 04-2023 was introduced at the March 21, 2023 Town Council Meeting and a public hearing is scheduled for the June 20, 2023 Town Council Meeting for final consideration and adoption.

## **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

Jamie Kendrick, AICP, Project Manager, Mead & Hunt provided an overview regarding the comprehensive plan update and objectives. Some of the objectives include intervention and resiliency, housing on N. Main Street, downtown cohesion, flood concerns, diversity, and parks and recreation. He advised that a grant application has been submitted for the RAISE program through UDOT for funding. Discussion ensued on the following: historic and cultural preservation, identifying historically significant properties, potentially merging HAC with Planning Commission for a faster process, defining what deems a property as historically significant, parks and tourism, connection to the Donaldson Brown Center, State Park proposal, restoration of the Tome School, municipal growth, expectations and boundaries for growth, and storm water management.

Motion was made by Vice Chair Davidson to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Komisar. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM. Meeting recording available upon request.

Approved:

Jeff Heck, Chair for Steve Davidson, Vice Chair