



Planning Commission
County of Prince George, Virginia

February Meeting
February 22, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Easter, Chairman of the Planning Commission, called to order the February 22, 2018, meeting of the Prince George County Planning Commission at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 6602 Courts Drive, Prince George, Virginia.

II. ATTENDANCE

The following members responded to Roll Call:

Chairman Easter - Present
Vice-Chairman Simmons - Present
Mrs. Imogene S. Elder – Present
Mr. R. Stephen Brockwell - Present
Mr. V. Clarence Joyner, Jr. - Present
Mr. Alex W. Bresko, Jr. - Present
Mr. Floyd M. Brown - Present

Also present were: Douglas Miles, Planning Manager, Horace Wade, III, Planner, and Missy Greaves-Smith, Office Associate II.

III. INVOCATION

Chairman Easter gave the Invocation.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U. S. FLAG

Mr. Brockwell led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES January 25, 2018

Chairman Easter asked for the approval of the minutes for the January 25, 2018 meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Bresko and seconded by Mr. Joyner and the minutes were adopted as written. Roll was called on the motion.

Roll call vote on the motion:

In Favor: (7) Elder, Bresko, Brown, Easter, Joyner, Brockwell, Simmons
Opposed: (0) Absent: (0) Abstain: (0)

VI. CITIZENS COMMENTS PERIOD

At 6:35 p.m. Chairman Easter opened the citizen comment period to anyone who wished to speak on any subject not on the agenda. He asked that persons limit their remarks to three (3) minutes. With no one coming forward, Chairman Easter closed the citizen comment period at 6:36 p.m.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing:

NOTICE OF AMENDMENTS AND ADOPTION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN – THE PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION WILL CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AMENDMENT AND ADOPTION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY, VIRGINIA 23875, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 22, SECTIONS 15.2, § 15.2-2204, 15.2-2225, OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA.

The Prince George County Comprehensive Plan Amendment, if recommended by the Planning Commission, will replace the existing Comprehensive Plan (adopted 2014). The Plan for Prince George County is used by County citizens, staff, the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors as a guide for future decisions affecting the county including, but not limited to, decisions related to future land use, road networks and zoning case actions. The Plan area encompasses all of Prince George County. The Plan does not rezone land, but it suggests ordinance amendments and other actions that will facilitate implementation of the Plan after adoption by the Board of Supervisors.

Plan recommendations are to update the Environment Chapter text to include data, information, mapping, policy analysis, and the implementation measures concerning location and extent of the Resource Management Area (RMA) and physical constraints to development, protection of the public water supply, commercial and recreational fisheries, public and private waterfront access, mitigation of water quality impacts from land use, and areas of shoreline and streambank erosion as required by the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act (CBPA) and Regulations. The CBPA text will be added into the Plan as mandated by DEQ for code compliance purposes through the State audit.

After reading the proposed amendments of the Comprehensive Plan to the Board, Mr. Wade reviewed five (5) key sections:

1. **Soil Associations** - Updated
2. **Pollution Sources** – Updated every two years
3. **Mineral Resources** – Added from 2016 with the Virginia Department of Mines and Energy (There are Six (6) areas in the County currently with open permits.)
4. **Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act** – Updated the Resource Protection Area, Resource Management Area, and Designated Land Areas in the Chesapeake Bay Area
5. **Shoreline Erosion** – Updated resources from the VA Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) located at the College of William & Mary

Mr. Wade concluded his presentation with a recommendation of approval of all these amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Simmons asked Mr. Wade if he could see any problems in the continuation of the implementation of our Comprehensive Plan as a result of incorporating these changes into the Environmental Section of our Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Wade responded to Mr. Simmons and the Board stating that he did not foresee any problems with the amendments. The majority of the amendments are data updates and not policy changes.

Chairman Easter opened the Public Hearing at 6:46 p.m. to anyone that wished to speak for or against the proposed amendments. With no one coming forward, he closed the public hearing at 6:47 p.m. and returned the request to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Bresko questioned the report data in reference to the County only having 1500 acres of land that was considered “wetlands.”

Mr. Wade stated that the wetlands information was a report estimate of land in the county that could not be developed.

Mr. Bresko expressed that in his opinion, the number of wetland acres reported seemed very low.

Mr. Brown made a motion for the AMENDMENTS AND ADOPTION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN be sent to the Board of Supervisors for approval and it was seconded by Mr. Brockwell. Roll was called on the motion.

Roll call vote on the motion:

In Favor: (7) Elder, Bresko, Brown, Easter, Joyner, Brockwell, Simmons

Opposed: (0) Absent: (0) Abstain: (0) Simmons

IX: Communications:

- Actions of the Board of Zoning Appeals:
 - The February 26, 2018 scheduled meeting of the BZA has been cancelled.
- Actions of the Board of Supervisors:
 - During the February 13, 2018 BOS meeting, the Prince George County Police Department was recognized for achieving reaccreditation.
- General Comments to the Commission:
 - The Planning Commission’s packet included a copy of the *Prince George County Community Development & Code Compliance 2017 Annual Report* for their review.
 - “Prince George Clean Community Day” – Saturday, April 21, 2018.

X. ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Mr. Bresko, seconded by Mr. Brockwell, to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. until Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. Roll was called on the motion.

Roll Call vote on the Motion:

In Favor: (7) Joyner, Bresko, Brown, Brockwell, Elder, Easter, Simmons

Opposed: (0) Absent: (0) Abstain: (0)