

**Mayor and Council of Federalsburg  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
Monday, April 3, 2017**

The Mayor & Council of Federalsburg held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 3, 2017 at 6:00 pm in the Mayor & Council Meeting Room, 118 N Main Street, Federalsburg, Maryland. Those in attendance were Mayor Planner and Councilmembers Bollinger, Windsor and Morean. Also in attendance were Brynja Booth, Town Attorney, staff, citizens and media. Councilmember Phillips was excused due to a previous engagement.

Mayor Planner called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm, he welcomed everyone and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

**Public Hearing**

Mayor Planner opened the Public Hearing at 6:01 pm and summarized Ordinance No. 2017-07; which stated the Mayor and Council of Federalsburg wish to amend Section 245-7 of the Federalsburg Town Code to clarify that raw materials utilized in the products manufactured on premises may be stored if screened by landscaping, fences or walls within the limited industrial (ID-1) District.

Mayor Planner called for any public comments and there were none. A motion was made by Councilmember Bollinger seconded by Councilmember Morean and unanimously passed by a vote of four to one to close the Public Hearing and reopen the regular Mayor and Council Meeting at 6:03 pm.

**Guests**

**SHA Alternate Beach Routes - Bob Rager, SHA District Liaison**

Mr. Bob Rager, SHA District Liaison was present to discuss the plans for the summer construction and alternate route plans. Mr. Rager gave a summary about the project and stated that SHA will be encouraging alternative routes but they will not be detouring any traffic. Mr. Rager also stated that the Doverbridge Project is way ahead of schedule. There are some flagging and lane closures planned for this summer, however, the bridge should be complete and ready for traffic by late 2018.

Mr. Rager also stated that there are plans to complete another portion of 404 dualization, approximately 9.2 miles and the deadline is to be complete by Thanksgiving. In FY18, there are plans to resurface MD RT 318 from Reliance to Liberty. It may happen this summer, but the timeline on this project was unclear. Also part of RT 16 in Preston and the sidewalk is a priority project.

Councilmember Windsor asked Mr. Rager about the lines on RT 318 before and after the bypass bridge being marked for no passing, but on the bridge passing is allowed. Mr. Rager will see if he can get changed to make the entire area no passing.

There was also question about installation of an opticon for the traffic light at the intersection of RT 318/331 and RT 313/331 for the Federalsburg Fire Company. Mr. Rager is going to look into this matter and get back with the Town.

### **Dwayne Hilghman - Mid Shore Board of Realtors - Governmental Affairs Committee**

Mr. Dwayne Hilghman from the Mid-Shore Board of Realtors, Governmental Affairs Committee introduced himself and gave the Mayor and Council a brief summary about his Committee and what they do in Annapolis. During the Legislative Session they review and evaluate Bills to assist residents with property rights pertaining to items such as wastewater, solar, etc. Mr. Hilghman stated that himself and members of his Committee have begun attending County and Municipal meetings throughout the State.

Mr. Bart Johnson questioned if there were any Bills critical to property rights during this years session. Mr. Hilghman stated there were discussions regarding wastewater and funding, and how much funding the State would be putting toward sprinkler systems.

### **Danny Phillips - Boy Scout Troop 137**

Mr. Danny Phillips stated that the Boy Scout Camporee held on March 10th, 11th & 12th went very well and he wanted to thank the Mayor and Council for their support. He also thanked the Churches, the organizations, the Police Department and the Public Works Department for their help, donations and support of the event. They had 13 troops attend with a total of about 175 people. Many had never been inside the bypass but stated they would be back to kayak or hike/bike within the Town.

### **Request to install Dog Park at Marina - CRHS National Honor Society and Leo Club Members - Chad Shelley**

Mr. Chad Shelley stated that CRHS National Honor Society and Leo Club have begun planning the 5K Dog Jog for May 20th. He was unsure if the Mayor and Council wanted use the funds to install a dog park or if a location along the river is a good area. After some discussion, it was agreed that Brynja would give Mr. Shelley contact information for Oxford to obtain more information about their recently installed dog park. Councilmember Bollinger stated that he would obtain information about the park in Kent Island. It was agreed that after all information was received, this discussion would be brought up again at the May 1st meeting for a decision.

### **The Backyard Bunch - Federalsburg Elementary School**

Mayor Planner reported that a group of students from Federalsburg Elementary school called the Backyard Bunch would like to beautify the town by cleaning up the streets, pulling weeds, etc. They have scheduled this cleanup day for Saturday, May 6th. A flyer will be sent through the school and students will meet at the Town parking lot and split up into different areas. Mr. Chad Shelley from CRHS requested a flyer be sent to him because he may have some high school students interested in participating.

### **Historical Moment - Federalsburg Historical Society - Bart Johnson**

Mr. Bart Johnson reported that last month he spoke about the Breeding Block and the upstairs Imperial Opera House. It was constructed in 1909 and had an electronic sign where baseball game information was advertised. There was also an Opera House on the second floor of the Masonic Temple, which was built in 1919. The stage is still in this building.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Grants/Main Street Project Updates - George Mayer**

#### **Safe Routes To School**

George Mayer reported that a pre-construction meeting has been held for the University Avenue - Safe Routes to School Project. Representatives from SHA, Caroline County Public Schools, Barkers Landing and the Town were present to review the regulations and visit the site. One change order was found, and it was determined that a portion of the project will be put on hold until baseball season ends.

#### **Approval MOU with SHA for Installation of Interpretive Signs and Trail Maps along Marshyhope Creek Greenway Trail**

Brynja Booth stated that the MOU has been reviewed and approved. A motion was made by Councilmember Bollinger seconded by Councilmember Windsor and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero approving the MOU with SHA for installation of Interpretive Signs and Trail Maps along the Marshyhope Greenway Trail, and giving permission for the Mayor to sign the necessary documentation.

#### **CFDC Update**

George Mayer reported that the CFDC Committee held a luncheon meeting last week, sponsored by the Stories of the Chesapeake. There were approximately 30 people in attendance and the guest speakers gave a presentation about sustainable design and tax credits.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Ordinance No. 2017-07** - An Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of Federalsburg to amend Section 245-7 of the Federalsburg Town Code to clarify that raw materials utilized in the products manufactured on premises may be stored if screened by landscaping, fences or walls within the limited industrial (ID-1) District.

A motion be Councilmember Bollinger seconded by Councilmember Windsor and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero approving Ordinance No. 2017-07 amending Section 245-7 of the Federalsburg Town Code to clarify that raw materials utilized in the products manufactured on premises may be stored if screened by landscaping, fences or walls within the limited industrial (ID-1) District.

### **Committee Reports**

**FHS** - Bart Johnson reported the following:

April 29th - Hobby Fair will be held at Federalsburg Elementary School from 10 am - 2 pm - hotdogs, sodas and baked goods will be available.

Hobby monument is located behind the school, if you have an opportunity please take a look at it.

**Lions Club** - Councilmember Morean reported the following:

June 24th - Frog Fest will be held at the marina and there will be lots of food, music and other events - fireworks.

April 21st - 10 am - til - Sandwich sale at FVFC

The Night at the Races event at the VFW was a big success!! Thanks to everyone!!

### **Planning & Zoning** -

Nothing at this time

### **FVFC** -

Nothing at this time

April 9th - Beef & Dumpling dinner - 12 - 5 pm

## **Minutes**

A motion by Councilmember Windsor seconded by Councilmember Bollinger and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero to approve the minutes as written.

## **Public Comment (2 Minutes)**

There were none.

## **Mayor & Council Action Items**

### **Councilmember Windsor**

Nothing at this time.

### **Councilmember Bollinger**

Councilmember Bollinger requested a closed session after the meeting to discuss a personnel and legal matter.

### **Councilmember Morean**

Nothing at this time.

### **Mayor Planner**

Nothing at this time.

## **Adjournment**

A motion by Councilmember Bollinger seconded by Councilmember Windsor and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero to close the regular meeting at 7:07 pm and go into closed session to discuss a personnel and legal matter.

A motion by Councilmember Bollinger seconded by Councilmember Morean and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero to adjourn the closed session at 8:00 pm and reconvene the regular meeting.

A motion by Councilmember Bollinger seconded by Councilmember Morean and unanimously passed by a vote of four to zero to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy L. Marshall  
Clerk-Treasurer