

Prince Edward County Planning Commission Meeting Minutes November 21, 2023 7:00 pm

Members Present: Llew W. Gilliam, Jr. Whitfield M. Paige

John "Jack" W. Peery, Jr. John Prengaman

Teresa Sandlin Rhett Weiss

Henry Womack

Absent: Brad Fuller, Clifford Jack Leatherwood Staff Present: Robert Love, Planning/Zoning Director

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Chairman Prengaman called the November 21, 2023 meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., established there was a quorum, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In Re: Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Weiss pointed out a correction needed to a typographical error in the August 15, 2023 meeting minutes.

Commissioner Peery made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Paige, to approve the meeting minutes from August 15, 2023 and October 17, 2023, as corrected; the motion carried:

Aye: Llew W. Gilliam, Jr. Nay: (None)

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John Prengaman Teresa Sandlin Rhett Weiss Henry Womack

Absent: Brad Fuller

Clifford Jack Leatherwood

Mr. Love announced that the public hearing request by Jonathan Yates for Milestone Tower Limited Partnership-IV d/b/a Milestone Towers, for a Special Use Permit to construct a 199' communications tower, has been cancelled. He

stated the applicants expect to bring the request before the Planning Commission after the new year. He said they intend to re-engineer the site and push the tower farther from Five Forks Road.

In Re: Public Hearing – Rezoning A2 to C1 – Paladin Medical Transport Inc.

Chairman Prengaman announced this was the date and time scheduled to receive citizen input prior to considering a request to rezone Tax Map Parcel 038-A-17C, located at the end of Bush River Drive (State Route 630), from A2, Agricultural Residential to C1, General Commercial, to allow for offices that provide case management and day support services. Notice of this hearing was advertised according to law in the Wednesday, November 8, 2023 and Wednesday, November 15, 2023 editions of THE FARMVILLE HERALD, a newspaper published in the County of Prince Edward.

Mr. Robert Love said the County has received an application request by Paladin Medical Transport, Inc. to rezone Tax Map Parcel 039-A-17C, located at the end of Bush River Drive (State Route 630), from A2, Agricultural Residential to C1, General Commercial to allow for offices that provide case management and day support services.

This parcel is contiguous with the existing Cl, General Commercial District and would not be considered spot zoning.

County staff is of the opinion the use is generally compatible with the zoning district and that the rezoning of this parcel would be in harmony and will have minimal impacts on surrounding properties as far as traffic and noise. Mr. Love stated he received no comments in support of or against this request.

Mr. Love said there will be renovations inside the buildings, with no major work outside. There may be a sign requested in the future.

Commissioner Sandlin asked if the ambulance is still in operation. Mr. Love said it is not; the buildings will be used for case management. Discussion followed.

Dr. Melba Moore, Executive Director of Crossroads Community Services Board, stated the intent is to bring the existing case management offices currently located in Rice to the full campus of Crossroads, to provide full services to clients at one location.

Chairman Prengaman opened the public hearing.

There being no one wishing to speak, Chairman Prengaman closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Weiss made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Paige, to recommend to the Board of Supervisors approval of the request by Paladin Medical Transport, Inc., to amend the Prince Edward County Zoning Map and rezone approximately 5.00 + - acres from A2, Agricultural Residential to C1, General Commercial; the motion carried:

Aye: Llew W. Gilliam, Jr. Nay: (None)

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Absent: Brad Fuller

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In Re: Review of Supervisors Actions

(None)

Old Business

Mr. Love reported the Comprehensive Plan meetings have begun; two meetings were held at Hampden Sydney [College] with two specific interest groups, and one was held for the public which was well attended with approximately 28 people. Mr. Love said another meeting will be held December 13 at the Moton Museum. He added the two focus groups were Land Use and Community Facilities; the next focus groups are geared towards Economic Development, Finance, and Administration. He said they have reached out to the Chamber [of Commerce], FACES, and Crossroads.

Mr. Love said there will be bi-monthly work sessions, beginning in February. Following some discussion, the general consensus is to hold these on the third Thursday of February, April, June, August and October, 2024.

New Business

Mr. Love stated the Planning Commission will be getting iPads for their use; these will help with the upcoming work.

Mr. Love said there will be a meeting in December; an application for a solar site on Old Ridge Road has been received; they have already had their community meeting. He added there may be an additional application.

Mr. Love stated the Dollar General at Kingsville is nearly completed; there are a few architectural elements that have to be added but have not yet been delivered; this should not keep the store from opening the second week in December.

Mr. Love reported Blackwood was scheduled to close on the property for Wawa and the car wash earlier in the day (on the 21st), and the project is moving forward. He said they may be able to "turn dirt" in December. He stated Harbor Freight is also making progress.

Mr. Love then reported materials are being delivered for the meat processing plant on Dominion Drive; the project is moving forward.

Commissioner Weiss asked if, after the grading of the site, will the Wawa and car wash be built at the same time; Mr. Love said that is anticipated.

On motion of Commissioner Gilliam, seconded by Commissioner Womack, and adopted by the following vote:

Aye: Llew W. Gilliam, Jr. Nay: (None)

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Absent: Brad Fuller

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the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.