

**TOWN OF PRINCESS ANNE
PRESIDENT AND TOWN COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING/WORK SESSION
MEETING MINUTES
November 21, 2011 @ 6:00 pm
LOCATION: Town Hall
30489 Broad Street
Princess Anne, MD 21853**

In Attendance: President Dennis Williams, Vice President Winslow Parker, Commissioner Frank White, Commissioner Joseph Gardner, Town Manager Brenda Benton, Public Works/Code Compliance Director Tracy Grangier, Chief of Police Scott Keller, Town Attorney Paul Wilber and AP/AR Clerk Deborah Hrusko.

I. Call to Order

President Williams called the meeting to order.

Public Meeting

II. Small Business Saturday in Maryland (Governor's Proclamation)

Main Street Director Ben Alder read the Proclamation (see attached)

III. Critical Area Ordinance Recommendation and First Reading

Tracy Grangier introduced Bob Salyers, Chairperson for Princess Anne Planning & Zoning. Mr. Salyers reviewed the ordinance (see attached). Mr. Salyers recommended that the first reading be done.

Town Attorney Paul Wilber reviews the ordinance.

Commissioner White motioned for the first reading
Vice President Parker second
All were in favor

IV. Resolution Establishing a Fair Housing Plan

President Williams read the resolution (see attached)

Commissioner White motioned to pass the resolution
Commissioner Gardner second
All were in favor

President Williams announced that it was the Chief's birthday

Commissioner White motioned to go into Work Session
Vice President Parker second
All were in favor

Work Session

I. Briefing on SHA and MDT in Somerset County

Tracy reviewed the information that the Commissioners had in their packet (see attached)

Vice President Parker suggested the Commissioners write a letter to Maryland Department of Transportation

Commissioner White suggested that UMES also write a letter

II. Moratorium on First Floor Apt. C1 Zoning Discussion

Commissioner White referenced the letter received from Bonita Porter. Existing units would be nonconforming use. These units would remain the same. This would only affect new units.

Paul Wilber suggested that this encompass all of C1 not just Somerset/Main Street area.

Vice President Parker suggested the wording be fronting on a State Highway.

Further discussion will be on the December 19th Work Session.

III. Discussion on William Street Parking and Bus Routes

Chief Keller said the best and safest option is to keep William Street “No Parking” and he suggested that here be “No Parking” on the Rt. 13 side of Beckford Ave.

Brenda Benton suggested a possible tax abatement to help offset the cost of driveways for homeowners with current curbcuts.

The Commissioners decided to amend the ordinance to “No Parking Monday-Friday from 6:00 am until 5:00 pm” on the North side and “No Parking” on the south side.

An amendment to the ordinance will be done and have a first reading at the December Town Meeting.

IV. Monthly Fiscal 012 Budget Review

Brenda Benton reviewed the report (see attached)

V. Washington High School Boosters Discussion

President Williams reviewed information about the Boosters

Brenda said there will be a proclamation at the December Town Meeting.

VI. Volunteer Board Appointments

The Commissioners agreed to move this to December Work Session

VII. Adjournment

Commissioner White motioned to adjourn the meeting

Vice President Parker second

All were in favor

Dennis Williams, President

Winslow Parker, Vice President

_____Absent_____
Garland Hayward, Commissioner

Frank White, Commissioner

Joseph Gardner, Commissioner

Attest: _____
Brenda Benton, Town Manager