



## HCCA Board Meeting Minutes – September 17, 2014

**Attendees:** Paul Verchinski, Stu Kohn, Brian England, Howard Johnson, Rosalyn Williams

**Guests:** Bill Erskine, Youngsinn Sohn, Ralph Colavita, Lisa Markovitz, John McMahon

1. Meeting started at 7:02 PM
2. **HCCA's Testimony on CR-80-2014** - Bill Erskine spoke to clarify his position with regard to the posting of minutes on the Economic Development Authority (EDA) website (minutes are posted beginning with January, 2014) and the conflict of interest issue. Though he did not agree with the HCCA's position that there was a potential conflict of interest for land use attorneys serving on the EDA, which was further explained at the meeting, he did agree that the HCCA had not attacked him personally in their testimony on July 21, 2014. Erskine left information re: the referendum with the board. He pointed out that the HCCA board's approval to testify on CR-80 was not in the minutes. [The July 14<sup>th</sup> minutes have since been amended.]
3. **Minutes** - The minutes from the August 14, 2014 board meeting were approved as read.
4. **NT report status**
  - a. Brian & JD met with Allan Kittleman today
  - b. JD went to the Owen Brown meeting earlier this week; Courtney Watson was there & proposed another task force on New Town.
  - c. Brian & JD will be attending the C.A. Newtown zoning meeting on Sept 18<sup>th</sup>
  - d. The Sept 29<sup>th</sup> meeting with Oakland Mills is an opportunity to speak with the village boards. Paul V. will serve as moderator. JD & Brian will coordinate presentation
  - e. Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 7:30PM to 10:30PM – Party
  - f. Press Release went out 9/17 & Facebook Promotion was also initiated
  - g. Ros reported on preliminary response
5. **Aging in Place** - Courtney Watson has incorporated several of Paul Verchinski's recommendations into her platform, and he will be working independently with her on an advisory committee. As it is a political platform, it would not be appropriate to include it on the listserv.
6. **APFO** – Howard & Stu plan to finalize their position paper re: expansion of APFO, post it on the listserv, and cc: the county council candidates. Targeting October for posting.
7. **Redline** – Stu is awaiting additional information from Chris Alleva. Brian to provide info re: new situation w/Mobile station off Rt.32 where they redlined a several story building.
8. **Voting Record** – It should be easy to access the voting record for each individual on the County Council vs. having to look at each council bill separately. Looking into recommending this to the County Council post election.
9. **Dr. Foose's Visit** – Foose responded to the teacher's concern Stu forwarded, however Brian's concern is still pending. She has suggested a meeting.
10. **Forum with the New School Board** – Decision on whether to do this has been postponed.
11. **Mulching Task Force** – Stu reported on the meetings that are in progress. Both sides are represented. Recommendations will come out in November after the election.
12. **LWV Candidates Forum** – We reviewed Stu's recommendations for the candidate's questions & provided suggestions.
13. **Website Enhancements** – The Board was advised of recent updates.
14. **Other Topics** – John McMahon raised a concern re: Sheriff's office. Feels that the office isn't independent of the county executive. No further action to be taken by board members at this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:33PM.