HCCA Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Board April 3, 2019

Present at Meeting: JD Smith, Stu Kohn, Jervis Dorton, Brian England, Lisa Markovitz, Hiruy Hadgu, Howard Johnson, Susan Garber.

Absent from Meeting: Paul Verchinski, Alan Schneider

The regular meeting of the Board of HCCA was called to order at 7.05 PM on April 3, 2019 at BA Auto Care by Stu Kohn.

I. Approval of Agenda

The agenda for the meeting was distributed and unanimously approved.

II. Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous March meeting was placed on Hold as the Secretary was absent.

III.Consideration of Open Issues

1. Membership

Howard Johnson reported that paid membership is on track to be the same as last year. The mailing was a success. The chair thanked Howard for his work. Howard said it was made so much easier because of Russ Swatak.

2. HCCA Annual Meeting Preparation

Hiruy Hagdu and Lisa Markovitz reported that 10 organizations have agreed to partner with the HCCA. It will be held at Oakland Mills High School on June 11th 2019 at 6:30PM. The event will be put on Eventbrite and will be advertised on social media. The chair congratulated Lisa and Hiruy for the efforts.

Activist of the year was discussed and it was agreed to award 3 people. Each will receive \$100 Gift Certificate. Hiruy, Lisa and Stu put forward names.

It was agreed that Lisa will run the business side of the meeting.

3. Royal Farms Development

Brian England stated a Request was sent to the Planning Board to rehear the case. No reply so far.

4. Impact Fees

Lisa Markovitz stated a decision on Impact Fees was still in process. The Campaign Contributions Bill died.

5. Zoning Board Rules of Procedure

Stu Kohn testified to Zoning Board Members on 27 March and he was very pleased with the outcome. The Zoning Board will pass the majority of HCCA's recommended changes.

6. Solar Of Ag. Preserve Land

Stu Kohn is going to the Hearing Examiner's meeting on May 23rd but does not have high exceptions.

7. CB11 2019 and Milk Producers Development

Stu Kohn passed on that CB11-2019 passed 3 for 1 against and 1 abstained (Opel Jones) Jervis Dorton commented that there are better ways to preserve scenic roads and explained his ideas.

8. Erickson Property

The board agreed to not testify at the Planning Board Meeting.

IV. Consideration of New Business

1. Howard County Charter Commission

Stu Kohn reported he is on the commission and stated he will be seeking input from others.

2. Possible Meeting with County Executive

Stu Kohn is compiling the list of questions and asked that the board give input.

3. Planning Board Testimony on Gould Property. Council Testimony on CR49

Susan Garber and Hiruy Hadgu

CR49 and CR51

Hiruy will testify on behalf on the HCCA on April 22. He will send a draft to the board by April 16th.

4. CB17

Lisa Markovitz

This bill relates to the number of years a project or phase must be retested. Lisa and Hiruy will share their thoughts with Stu and then share with the Board.

5. Summary of Action Items

- 1. Stu to work on meeting announcement
- 2. Stu will talk to Kim Pruim about audio equipment for meeting
- 3. Stu to testify on CB17
- 4. Lisa to talk to Paul about Eventbrite
- 5. Susan to contact potential award nominee's wife.
- 6. Hiruy to invite potential award nominees to next Board meeting.
- 7. Hiruy to testify on Erickson case before Zoning Board.
- 8. Hiruy to testify on CR49 and CR51

V. Agenda and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7 PM on May 8, 2019 at: BA Auto Care 9577 Berger Rd Columbia, Maryland 21046