

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
February 10, 2022

The Queen Anne's County Planning Commission met on Thursday, February 10, 2022, at 8:45 A.M. The following members were present: Sharon Dobson, Tom Leigh, Jeff Reiss, Teddy Baker, Kathy Deoudes, Arthur Ebersberger, and Bill Sylvester.

Also present were Amy Moredock, Director Department of Planning and Zoning; Rob Gunter, Development Review Principal Planner; Stephanie Jones, Long Range Principal Planner; Rob Tracey, Long Range Planner; Steve Johnson, Development Review Planner; John Shelton, Clerk; Christopher F. Drummond, Esquire; and Sharon H. Brinster, Esquire.

1. Public Comment – No comments received.

2. Meeting Minutes Review – Upon motion made by Commissioner Ebersberger, seconded by Commissioner Reiss and passed by unanimous voice vote, the January 13, 2022, Planning Commission Minutes were approved as presented.

3. Extension Requests – None.

4. UPDATES:

Legislation and Legal Matters – Rob Tracey, Senior Planner, said the County Commissioners signed letters of support for the following State legislation:

(1) HB555/SB340: QAC- Alcoholic Beverages-License Application- Exceptions; authorizes the Board of License Commissioners to exempt up to four (4) licenses held by corporations and limited liability companies from ownership requirements and will prohibit the Board from granting such an exemption in the Kent Narrows Commercial Management and Waterfront Improvement District.

(2) HB546: Kent Narrows Bridge- State Highway Right- of- Way Fishing Prohibition; prohibits a pedestrian from catching fish, by any means, within the State highway right-of-way under the Kent Narrows Drawbridge in Queen Anne's County This bill would prohibit fishing under or around the Kent Narrows Drawn Bridge along MD Route 18 where this activity is hazardous to both the boating public and to the fishing patrons.

(3) HB556/SB342: QAC Natural Resources-Sunday Hunting; expands Sunday hunting in QAC on ten (10) Sundays during Archery Season and on two (2) Sundays during Muzzleloader Season.

(4) SB489/HB586: Queen Anne's County-Public Safety- Buildings Used for Agritourism; Adds Queen Anne's County to the list of counties where an existing agricultural building used for agritourism for up to 200 persons is not considered a change of occupancy that requires a building permit. This is a change from the 50-person capacity currently in place.

5. Public Hearing: County Sponsored Text Amendment – TACO #21-09; § 18App-1 Definitions. Definition of Shooting Club – Christopher Drummond, Planning

Commission Attorney, informed the Planning Commission that he was satisfied the notice requirements have been met to hold a Public Hearing to receive comments concerning proposed amendment TACO #21-09 to alter the definition of a shooting club as outlined in Appendix A to Chapter 18 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne’s County to capture important public policy and development policies.

Rob Tracey, Senior Planner, presented the Planning Commission with the background, objective, and recommendations by staff for the proposed amendment.

Chairman Dobson opened the Public Hearing, at which time the following individuals spoke either in person, via Zoom, or by voice mail message:

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| (A) Allison Howard, Millington | in favor |
| (B) Royce Herman, Centreville | opposed |
| (C) Andrew Leaverton, Queen Anne | opposed |
| (D) Christopher Dean, Centreville | opposed |
| (E) Richard Frere, Stevensville | opposed |
| (F) Larry Faulkner, Sudlersville | opposed |
| (G) Charles McClain, Pasadena | opposed |
| (H) Lisa Schrader, Ingleside | opposed |
| (I) Jack Kemp, Church Hill | opposed |
| (J) Russ Parson, Rock Hall | opposed |
| (K) Lindsay Thompson, Queenstown | opposed |
| (L) Jack Clark, Barclay | opposed |
| (M) Bill Walmsley, Chestertown | opposed |
| (N) Tony Giaimo, Ridgely | opposed |
| (O) Tinsley Meekins, Trappe | opposed |
| (P) Mark McCloy, Stevensville | opposed |
| (Q) David Connolly, Centreville | opposed |
| (R) Sean Connolly, Chester | opposed |
| (S) Georgeanna Windley, Kent Narrows | opposed |
| (T) Robert Crow, Chestertown | opposed |
| (U) Sean Matthews, Stevensville | opposed |
| (V) John Wesolowski, Queenstown | opposed |
| (W) Kenneth Danz, Townsend, DE | opposed |
| (X) Jeffrey Carroll, Chestertown | opposed |
| (Y) Tom Dodd, QAC | opposed |
| (Z) Barbara Reed, Chestertown | opposed |
| (AA) Pat Boos, Trappe | opposed |
| (BB) Marti Dawkins, Centreville | opposed |
| (CC) Jody Schultz, Chester | opposed |

The Planning Commission took a short break at 10:01 A.M. and reconvened at 10:11 A.M to continue the Public Hearing.

(DD) John Pica, Annapolis	opposed
(EE) Troy Alexander, Millington	in favor
(FF) Allan Boyles, Millington	in favor
(GG) Kelly Pinder, Millington	in favor
(HH) Lisa Gustafson, Crumpton	opposed
(II) John Hickton, Millington	opposed

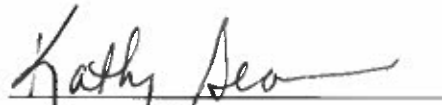
Chairman Dobson closed the Public Hearing at 10:21 A.M.

Upon review and further consideration, the following motion was made by Commissioner Deodes, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, and passed by unanimous voice vote:

RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission, regarding **Text Amendment County Ordinance # 21-09** proposing to change the definition of a *Shooting Club* as forth in Appendix A of Chapter 18 of the Code of Public Laws of Queen Anne's County, recommends the Queen Anne's County Commissioners take no action to amend the existing definition.

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 10:31 A.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,


Kathy Depudes, Secretary