

**MINUTES OF THE ST. MARY'S COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
CHESAPEAKE BUILDING * LEONARDTOWN, MARYLAND
Monday, August 22, 2016**

Members present: Howard Thompson - Chairman, Shelby Guazzo – Vice Chair, Martin Siebert, Hal Willard, Patricia Robrecht, Dan Ichniowski, and Joseph VanKirk.

Phil Shire, Bill Hunt, Bob Bowles, Susan McCauley and Ashley Renshaw were present from the Department of Land Use and Growth Management, as well as George Sparling from the County Attorney's Office.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Thompson at approximately 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Commissioner Ichniowski made a motion to approve the minutes of August 8, 2016. Commissioner Willard seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Major Subdivision # 16-12000001, Underwood Farms Subdivision

(Zoning Ordinance 10-02) (Subdivision Ordinance 10-01)

OWNER: John Chappellear

AGENT: Little Silences Rest, Inc.

LOCATION: 38555 Mount Wolf Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622

TM-002 GRID-14 PAR-0004 ED-05 TAX ID-004969

ZONING: RPD

ACREAGE: 186.94

ACTION REQUESTED: Preliminary Plan review and approval for a 16 lot Major Subdivision.

Commissioner Guazzo made a motion in the matter of Major Subdivision #16-12000001 Underwood Farms, having accepted the staff report and having made a finding that the objectives of Section 30.5.5 of the Subdivision Ordinance for the proposed 16 lots have been met, noting that the referenced project has met all requirements for Preliminary Plan approval, and final site plan and/or record plat approvals may be granted administratively upon receipt of final approvals from all agencies, and further that a plat note will be added to the plats as approved by the Legal Department and the head of Land Use and Growth Management and also that this plat note will be a bold easily recognizable print, I move that the preliminary plan be APPROVED. Commissioner Siebert seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION

2. Discussion and Recommendation of the Planning Commission to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on the Sign Ordinance.

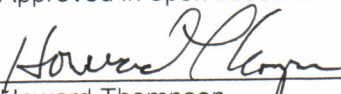
Commissioner Ichniowski made a motion to authorize Chairman Thompson to sign a letter to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County that concurs with the proposed regulations for the sign ordinance and that also makes note of the outstanding issue of the emission of light from signs. Also, that bus shelters should be translucent, so that they are visible from three sides to increase safety. There is a technical change as well to clarify the usage of the word "time". Commissioner Guazzo seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

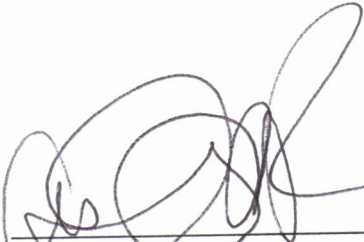
ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made at approximately 9:20 p.m. by Commissioner Siebert. Commissioner Robrecht seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Approved in open session:

September 12, 2016


Howard Thompson
Chairman


Ashley Renshaw
Recording Secretary