

St. Michaels Planning Commission
St. Michaels Town Office
300 Mill Street

Remote Workshop
February 16, 2021 - 2:00 P.M.

Present: Planning Commission Chairman Jefferson Knapp and Commission Members Helen Herman, Chris Thomas, and Cynthia Allen, Zoning Officer Kymberly Kudla, and Meeting Coordinator Kimberly Weller. Member Carol Parlett was absent.

I. Call to Order:

Chairman Knapp called the remote workshop to order at 2:00 p.m. in St. Michaels, Maryland.

II. Approval of Minutes

- January 26, 2021
- February 2, 2021

The members discussed corrections to the minutes for January 26th. Member Chris Thomas then made a motion to approve the minutes for January 26, 2021 as corrected. Member Helen Herman seconded it and the motion passed on a voice vote of 4-0 in favor. The members had no changes to the minutes of February 2nd. Member Cynthia Allen made a motion to approve the minutes of February 2, 2021 as presented. Member Thomas seconded the motion, which passed on a voice vote of 4-0 in favor.

III Items from Staff or Commission Members

- Parking Update

Member Chris Thomas said that he and Jeff Knapp had met with Douglas Rollow of Water Street, who was in favor of the parking committee's suggestions to alleviate parking congestion on Water Street. Member Thomas said there were Water Street residents, including Mr. Rollow, who also favored a "resident parking only" designation for residents. After some additional discussion, the members agreed that the parking committee's wholistic approach to improving parking in the Town should continue to be the goal, and that designated resident parking on any street in town was a solution they did not want to pursue at this time.

The members also reviewed parking on Talbot and Mulberry Street and considered eliminating all parking on Talbot Street South of Canton Alley for safety reasons but converting some parking spaces on Talbot to loading/unloading zones. The members agreed to have Peter Johnston add Talbot Street recommendations to the presentation, which could be discussed at another scheduled public forum meeting. Chairman Knapp said he would follow up with Peter Johnston and invite him to the next meeting to review the changes.

The members then took public comment.

- Wayfaring signage

Chairman Knapp said that Commissioner Breimhurst had asked if the Planning Commission would take another look at the issue of wayfaring signage. Member Chris Thomas said he understood that the previous estimates for producing professional comprehensive wayfaring signage were quite expensive. The members asked for a copy of the original RFP (request for proposal), and Mrs. Weller provide some history of her experience with the prior investigation of wayfaring signage. The members had a brief discussion on how to approach the wayfaring project and whether it should be a priority given the other

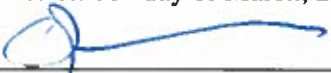
issues currently on the Planning Commission's plate. The members also discussed the Farmers' Market request for a permanent awareness/directional sign. It was suggested that the Farmers' Market sign could possibly be incorporated into the parking signage planned for the public lot behind the pharmacy, thereby having one sign serve two purposes.

The members agreed to have another discussion of the matter at their next meeting on March 2, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Ms. Kudla said she would supply the original wayfaring RFP and bids, as well as the Farmers' Market sign proposal.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

Minutes approved by 4-0 vote in favor on 16th day of March, 2021.



Jefferson Knapp, Chairman