

MIDDLETOWN PLANNING COMMISSION
31 West Main Street
Middletown, Maryland

Workshop

January 16, 2019

The regular workshop of the Middletown Planning Commission took place on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Middletown Municipal Center, 31 West Main Street, Middletown, MD 21769. Those present (quorum) were Commission Chairman Mark Carney, Commission Members Rich Gallagher, Bob Miller, David Lake, Alternate Dixie Eichelberger, and Eric Ware, Temporary Alternate. Others present in official capacity: Cindy Unangst (Staff Planner). Members of the public in attendance: Mark Crissman (DMW). David Lingg, Mark Lancaster, Burgess Miller, Bob Smart, Jane Weir, Elizabeth Bauer, Chris Goodman, Rich Favarulo, Bernard Pond, and Matthew Foreman.

JANUARY MONTHLY PLANNING COMMISSION WORKSHOP:

PLAN REVIEW –

Cross Stone Commons Revised Forest Conservation Plan - Cindy read thru her staff report. The commission members asked, and were given answers to, questions such as what the seedling size is, how will mowing be done, why the applicant is asking for the revision, and how long a seedling will take to get to the size of a larger stock tree.

ZONING –

Self-Storage Facility Special Exception Use – Cindy read thru her staff report. Commission member Lake had concerns about the board of appeals determining the hours of access for the self-storage facility before a site plan is even reviewed, whether the property has proper access to Alternate 40, and the determination of whether the self-storage facility is accurately an accessory use to a primary business. Due to the discrepancy in the town code concerning whether the self-storage use is a primary use as a special exception in the GC district, or whether it is an accessory use, Cindy was asked to contact the town attorney for his opinion. The revisions to the concept plan from the review last May were discussed.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REVIEW –

Comprehensive Plan Update – Introduction – Chapter 1 – Cindy reviewed the timeline for the update, and Burgess Miller informed the commission members about the plans to have forums for public input.

MISCELLANEOUS – Chairman Carney expressed the desire by the owner of the Fratelli's Restaurant to temporarily pave the Building #2 pad site at Cross Stone Commons for additional parking.

Workshop adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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