

Council of the Town of La Plata
Town Hall, La Plata, Maryland
Special Meeting
December 16, 2004, 5:30 PM

Present: Mayor William F. Eckman, Councilman Wayne Winkler, Councilman C. Keith Back, Councilman Gene Ambrogio, Councilman Roy G. Hale; Douglas R. Miller, Town Manager; Judith T. Frazier, Town Clerk

Guests: (see roster)

Minutes:

Mayor Eckman called the special meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Interview top bidders for the Police Station Project

The Council interviewed the top bidders for the Police Station Project: Rainbow Construction, represented by Scott Whiteleather and Mark Guadagnolia; Dennis Anderson Construction, represented by Dennis Anderson; and Facchina Construction, represented by Phil Mueller. Also present was Mike Pellegrino, PAS, architect for the project. Of particular interest to the Council were questions regarding ways to reduce costs, experience with construction of similar projects, how change orders were handled, and ability to meet the completion date.

Following a discussion regarding the three contractors, Mayor Eckman asked if the Council was ready to make a motion to award the bid, or if they wanted more time to consider a decision. Councilman Ambrogio made a motion to award the contract for the Police Station Project to Dennis Anderson Construction. Councilman Winkler seconded the motion, adding it was based on Dennis Anderson Construction's project completion dates being checked. Mayor Eckman advised that the motion could be tabled until Mr. Miller can obtain the information regarding Dennis Anderson Construction's project completion dates. Councilman Ambrogio withdrew his motion. Councilman Winkler withdrew his second to the motion. The Town Council concurred that a special meeting would be held in the La Plata Town Hall meeting room on Saturday, December 18, at 12:00 PM.

GP Homes road presentation

Dan Anderton and Dave Cooksey, Loiederman Soltesz; Charis Lapas, Lois Page, Nicholas Tryfon, GP Homes; Mike Lenhardt, The Traffic Group; and Dick Keller, Kellerco, were present to make a presentation of the proposed alignment of Heritage Green Parkway north to Rosewick Road, including the results of a traffic study associated with that alignment. They also discussed the difficulty with getting a railroad crossing.

Following the presentation and discussion, the consensus of the Town Council was that the Council will meet with Mr. Keller to devise a plan for the railroad crossing which is acceptable to the Town, then meet with the County Commissioners/State, and then with CSX.

There being no further business, Councilman Back made a motion to adjourn at 8:43 PM. Councilman Winkler seconded the motion and it carried.

Submitted by:

Judith T. Frazier
Town Clerk