

Council of the Town of La Plata
Village Green Pavilion, Town of Indian Head
Joint meeting with County Commissioners of Charles County and Town of Indian Head
May 18, 2009, 4:00 PM

Present:

Indian Head

Mayor Edward W. Rice, Vice Mayor Dennis J. Scheessele, Councilwoman Margie A. Posey; Ryan L. Hicks, Town Manager; Awilda Hernandez, Clerk of Council

Charles County

Commissioner President Wayne Cooper, Commissioners Samuel N. Graves, Jr., Edith J. Patterson, Reuben B. Collins, II, and Gary V. Hodge; Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator; Roy Hancock, Assistant to County Administrator; Denise Ferguson, Clerk to the Commissioners; Amy Calvin, Public Information Administrator; Department of Planning and Growth Management

Town of La Plata

Mayor Roy G. Hale, Councilmen R. Wayne Winkler, Paretta D. Mudd, and Joseph W. Norris; Daniel J. Mears, Town Manager; Michelle D. Miner, Assistant Town Manager; Danielle Mandley, Town Clerk; Robert W. Oliphant, Treasurer

Minutes:

Mayor Rice called the meeting to order at 4:13 PM and introduced the elected officials of the Towns and County, the Town Managers and County Administrator.

Matters of Council Discussion

Joint meeting of La Plata Town Council, Indian Head Town Council, and the Charles County Commissioners

Description: Periodic meeting between the elected bodies to discuss matters of mutual concern.

MD Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network (WARN) Program

Mr. Mears provided information on the MDWARN Program, explaining that a Resolution was recently adopted by the Council of the Town of La Plata that modeled the County Resolution.

Briefing: 211 Health and Human Services Line

Dorothy Harper, President and CEO, United Way of Charles County, provided a briefing on the 211 Health and Human Services Line, and the benefit it provided to the community. Ms. Harper requested support from the Town's and County to inform the community of the available services.

Briefing/Overview; Dr. Bridgett

[Description: Dr. Bridget to provide a demonstration of Charles County website features and services.]

- Charlescountynews.org
- Transparency in Local Government Portal (TransCharlesCo)
- Department of Economic Development Website
- National Association of Counties Prescription Drug Program

Briefing/Overview; Roy Hancock

- Charles County Citizen Notification System (CNS)

Mr. Roy Hancock briefly described the Charles County Citizen Notification System (CNS).

Briefing/Overview; Town of La Plata

Mayor Hale thanked the County Commissioners for approving the \$0.085 Tax Differential, as indicated by the rate calculations on the proposed tax differential rate sheet. The events schedule, and list of new businesses were briefly summarized.

Briefing/Overview; Town of Indian Head

Mayor Rice provided information on events, stated that the County briefings are beneficial to keep the Town's informed.

Future meeting schedule [dates/locations]

While no specific meeting dates were established, it was agreed to continue with the two meetings as stated and that the County will host the next meeting.

- Spring (typically April or May) – Towns of La Plata and Indian Head and County Commissioners
- Fall (October) – Town of La Plata and County Commissioners

Other business

- State Highway Administration (SHA) right-of-way mowing

Following discussion, it was agreed that a joint letter of concern would be sent the SHA. The Town of La Plata would draft the letter.

There being no further discussion, the joint meeting concluded at 5:00 PM and a light dinner was provided. The Town Council reconvened in work session at 7:00 PM, at the La Plata Town Hall.

Submitted by:

Danielle Mandley
Town Clerk