

Council of the Town of La Plata
Town Hall, La Plata, Maryland
Special Meeting
March 17, 2009, 6:15 PM

Present: Mayor Roy G. Hale, Councilman James Goldsmith, Councilwoman Paretta D. Mudd, Councilman Vic E. Newman; Daniel J. Mears, Town Manager; Judith T. Frazier, Town Clerk; Frederick C. Sussman, Town Attorney

Minutes:

Mayor Hale called the meeting to order at 6:18 PM.

Motion to Conduct Closed Session

Councilman Goldsmith moved to conduct a closed session, pursuant to *Annotated Code of Maryland* Section 10-508(a)(7) – Consult with counsel to obtain legal advice. Councilwoman Mudd seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mayor Hale, Councilmen Goldsmith, Mudd and Newman voted aye. Motion carried by unanimous vote. The special meeting was suspended at 6:19 PM while the Council met in closed session, and reconvened at 6:40 PM. [During closed session, the Town Council discussed and received legal advice from the Town Attorney regarding an appeal of action taken by the Board of Supervisors of Elections.]

Councilman Goldsmith moved that the Town Council reject the appeal as not having been timely filed in the case of the appeal of Jeannine James. Councilman Newman seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

The Town Attorney is to prepare a letter for Mayor Hale's signature to inform Ms. James of the Town Council's decision; the Town Clerk is to advise Ms. James by email of the Town Council's action and notify her that the letter will follow.

There being no other discussion, Councilman Goldsmith moved to adjourn the special meeting at 6:44 PM. Councilman Newman seconded the motion and it carried.

Submitted by:

Judith T. Frazier
Town Clerk