

Council of the Town of La Plata
Town Hall, La Plata, Maryland
Work Session
January 10, 2012, 7:00 PM

Present: Mayor Roy G. Hale, Councilman R. Wayne Winkler, Councilman C. Keith Back, Councilwoman Paretta D. Mudd, Councilman Joseph W. Norris; Daniel J. Mears, Town Manager; Danielle Mandley, Town Clerk

Town Staff: Robert W. Oliphant, Treasurer; David M. Jenkins, Director of Planning and Community Development

Minutes:

Mayor Hale called the work session to order at 7:00 PM.

► **Matters of Council Discussion**

- Draft Ordinance: Revisions to New Ethics Ordinance

Mr. Mears briefly summarized the draft copy of the Revisions to the New Ethics Ordinance, and the included changes as a result of state requirements.

Council Consensus: Following discussion the Council agreed to introduce the Revisions to New Ethics Ordinance at the January 24 business meeting.

- Sign Ordinance Review

Mayor Hale opened discussion by describing the history and establishment of the sign ordinance, the conditions during the sign moratorium, and some Council concerns were expressed regarding the sign ordinances effect on the business community.

Council Consensus: Following discussion he Council agreed to develop education documents for the community.

► **Matters of Information**

Mayor Hale requested information regarding the acquisition of the armory by the Charles County Commissioners.

Mr. Mears offered to provide information as it becomes available.

Councilwoman Mudd requested information regarding Resolution 11-14a and if the provisions will stand if a referendum defeats the annexation, and if Resolutions 11-11a, 11-12a, 11-13, and 11-14 a will be on individual or one single ballot if a special election is scheduled.

Mr. Mears offered to research the requested information.

► Future Work Session Topics

- FY 2012-2013 Budget Priority Setting Sessions

There being no further business, Councilman Winkler moved to adjourn the work session at 8:03 PM. Councilman Back seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Submitted by:

Danielle Mandley
Town Clerk