

# TOWNS / COUNTY LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING

## MINUTES

February 27, 2017

**A MEETING OF THE TOWNS / COUNTY LIAISON COMMITTEE WAS HELD FEBRUARY 27, 2017, AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE WARREN GREEN BUILDING**

### **In Attendance:**

- Chris Granger, Fauquier County Board of Supervisors
- Holder Trumbo, Fauquier County Board of Supervisors
- Powell Duggan, Mayor, Town of Warrenton
- Sunny Reynolds, Vice-Mayor, Warrenton Town Council
- Paul S. McCulla, Fauquier County Administrator
- Brannon Godfrey, Town of Warrenton Manager

### **1. Call to Order:**

Board of Supervisors' member Chris Granger called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

### **2. Adoption of Agenda:**

The agenda was adopted by unanimous consent.

### **3. Approval of the Minutes for August 22, 2016:**

The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

### **4. Updates/Continued Items:**

#### **a) "Panhandle" Boundary Adjustment**

Town Manager Brannon Godfrey discussed the tax ramifications of a potential boundary adjustment between the Town and the County in which a portion of the County, comprising the commercially-zoned property on Route 29 north of Town, would be taken into the Town limits. Under Mr. Godfrey's analysis, the tax implications were a positive \$146,597. Those calculations assume that any agreement in lieu of annexation between the Town and the County would contain a provision permitting the County to continue to receive the BPOL tax. The financial calculations also assume that the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office would continue to provide primary law enforcement on Route 29 in the area that would be adjusted into the Town. After discussion, the liaison committee directed the County Administrator to have a discussion with the Sheriff's Office to determine whether the Sheriff would be willing to continue to provide law enforcement services if a boundary adjustment were to occur.

#### **b) Broadview Avenue SmartScale Funding**

Town Manager Brannon Godfrey updated the liaison committee on the Town's efforts to obtain funding for its Broadview Avenue project. Under the application for SmartScale funding, the project was broken into two parts: 1) the intersection of Broadview Avenue

and Waterloo Street and 2) the remainder of Broadview Avenue from the Waterloo Street intersection to Winchester Street intersection. Mr. Godfrey reported that the Town has tentatively been awarded SmartScale funding; however, for that funding to be assured the Smart Scale recommendations of staff will have to be approved by the Transportation Board. The liaison committee discussed the necessity of contacting members of the Commonwealth Transportation Board to ensure that the funding recommendation goes through.

**c) Central Library Project Status/County CIP**

County Administrator Paul McCulla updated the liaison committee on the Central Library project and informed the committee that the Board of Supervisors is currently considering its CIP for this year and the next five years. Mr. McCulla indicated that the library is a \$14.6 million project and that staff is seeking \$10 million from the Board of Supervisors' CIP towards that project with the understanding that the remaining \$4.6 million would come from non-County sources. Mr. McCulla indicated that at the direction of the Board of Supervisors, he had contacted Mr. Godfrey to determine whether the Town of Warrenton would be willing to financially contribute towards the project. Mr. Godfrey indicated that he has spoken with his council members but while the council is generally favorable, no decision had been made yet as to the funding level the Town would be willing to participate in for this project.

**5. New Items:**

**a) Middle School Prioritization Process**

County Administrator Paul McCulla updated the liaison committee on the continuing discussions between the Board of Supervisors and the School Board regarding the Middle School Prioritization project related to Warrenton and Taylor Middle Schools. Mr. McCulla informed the committee that the Schools are in the process of preparing a revised proposal and once prepared, the Schools will meet with the Board of Supervisors to discuss the new proposal.

**b) Joint Parking Garage Venture**

Town Councilman Sunny Reynolds spoke to the liaison committee about the Town's continued need to address parking through some type of parking garage. Ms. Reynolds inquired as to whether the County was willing to participate in such a venture. County Administrator Paul McCulla responded that the County is always willing to consider and discuss matters of joint interest such as parking in the Town but that one of the concerns has always been the location of such a garage whether it be behind the Post Office or the Lee Street parking lot. After discussion, the liaison committee resolved to wait on this discussion until the Town Parking Study has been completed by the Town's consultant.

**6. Roundtable**

No roundtable matters were discussed.

**7. Next Meeting – April 24, 2017**

The next meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2017.

**8. Adjourn**

With no further discussion items, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.