

Minutes
Walkersville Planning Commission
May 22, 2018

Commissioner Chairman Dick Brady called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with members David Ennis, Mike Kuster, Gary Baker, Ray Santullo and John Zimmerman. Also present was Town Planner Susan Hauver. Member Tim Pollak was absent.

1. Minutes

Member Ennis made a motion, seconded by Member Kuster, to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2018 meeting. The motion passed on a vote of 6-0.

2. Addition Plat: Staley Property Management Partnership addition to Lot 1, Section 1 Hansel R. Staley Subdivision

At the request of the applicants, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Staley, Commission members agreed to continue consideration of the item to a later meeting. The Staleys are working out an agreement with Ms. Tiffany Staley, owner of Lot 1, regarding the remaining subdivision right on the original agricultural parcel.

3. Site Plan: Walkersville Library fence proposal

Mr. Eric Vesely, 125 Polaris Drive, owns the house on property adjoining the new library. He would like to construct a 7 foot high fence along the common property line to block out noise and light from the library parking lot. He wants the light to remain on for security reasons, but feels a taller fence would keep it from shining into his backyard. The Zoning Ordinance allows the Planning Commission to approve fences up to 8 feet tall on institutional properties.

Ms. Karen Miller, of the Sun Meadow homeowners' association said that the association approved the higher fence contingent on the Town's approval. Mr. Bret Fouche, Frederick County project manager for the library also signed off on the plan.

Commission members noted the landscaping along the property line and asked how the fence would be maintained. Mr. Vesely will maintain it.

Member Kuster made a motion, seconded by Member Baker, to approve the 7 foot fence on the lot line shared by Mr. Vesely and the library. The motion passed on a vote of 5-0-1 (Ennis recused himself from the discussion).

4. Announcements

Mr. Brady noted that he would be absent from the meeting on June 26.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Hauver