Board of Appeals Meeting (Thursday, July 24, 2025)

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1. CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM

A. July 24, 2025 Board of Appeals Meeting

2. ROLL CALL:

A. Attendance of Members, Staff Support

Board of Appeals Members

George Allan Hayden, Sr., Chair

John Brown, Vice-Chair

Rita Weaver, Member

Ronald Payne, Sr., Member

Donald LaRocco, Member

Michael Valcke, Alternate Member

Steve Scott, Board Attorney

SMCG Supporting Staff

John Sterling Houser, Deputy County Attorney

Stacy Clements, Planner IV - LUGM

Amy Carter, Video / Media Producer

3. AGENDA:

A. July 24, 2025 Board of Appeals Agenda

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. ZAAP 24-0997 / J. Whitson Rogers Appeal - Withdrawn by Applicant on 7/23/2025

B. CUAP 25-0035 / Drift Inn Communication Tower

"In the matter of CUAP 25-0035, Drift Inn Communications Tower, having made a finding that the standards for granting a conditional use and the objectives of Section 51.3.91 of the St. Mary's County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance have been met, I move to approve the request to allow the proposed Communication Tower, Commercial (Use 91) within the Rural Preservation District."

With Condition:

Applicant to obtain a notarized statement of agreement or easement from adjoining property owner or obtain a variance from CZO Section 51.3.91.b(10).

Motion by Rita Weaver, second by Donald LaRocco.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Payne Sr, Rita Weaver, George Allan Hayden Sr, Donald LaRocco, John Brown

5. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES:

A. Minutes from the July 10, 2025 meeting.

"Motion to approve the July 10, 2025 meeting minutes."

Motion by Donald LaRocco, second by John Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Payne Sr, Rita Weaver, George Allan Hayden Sr, Donald LaRocco, John Brown

6. REVIEW AND APPROVE ORDERS:

A. VAAP 24-0345 / The Cottage Apartments Order

"I move to approve and for Chairman, George Allan Hayden, Sr., to sign the VAAP 24-0345 / The Cottage Apartments Order."

Motion by John Brown, second by Ronald Payne Sr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Payne Sr, Rita Weaver, George Allan Hayden Sr, Donald LaRocco, John Brown

B. VAAP 25-0400 / Beidleman Order

"I move to approve and for Chairman, George Allan Hayden, Sr., to sign the VAAP 25-0400 / Beidleman Order."

Motion by John Brown, second by Ronald Payne Sr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Payne Sr, Rita Weaver, George Allan Hayden Sr, Donald LaRocco, John Brown

C. VAAP 25-0306 / Parsons Order

"I move to approve and for Chairman, George Allan Hayden, Sr., to sign the VAAP 25-0306 / Parsons Order."

Motion by Donald LaRocco, second by Rita Weaver.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Payne Sr, Rita Weaver, George Allan Hayden Sr, Donald LaRocco, John Brown

7. ADJOURNMENT:

A. Adjourn the July 24, 2025 Board of Appeals meeting

"I move to adjourn the July 24, 2025 Board of Appeals meeting at 8:10 pm."

Motion by Donald LaRocco, second by John Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ronald Payne Sr, Rita Weaver, George Allan Hayden Sr, Donald LaRocco, John Brown