The Finksburg News

Finksburg Planning And Citizens' Council Inc. Newsletter, August 2007 www.Finksburg.org To Promote A Finksburg Community, Whose Objective Is To Preserve The Fundamental Quality Of Life Where Farms, Families And Businesses May Coexist In A Manner Beneficial To All

Next Meeting: Transportation in Finksburg and County / Region Wide

Who: Finksburg residents are invitedWhat: Finksburg Planning and Citizens' Council, Inc.'s general membership meetingWhen: Thursday August 23, 2007Where: Sandymount United Methodist Church

The Baltimore Regional Transportation Board – Vision 2030:

A representative from the BRTB (<u>http://www.baltometro.org/content/view/19/146/</u>) along with Frank Johnson, Senior Assistant County Attorney/Legislative Director will provide a Regional Transportation Plan update. The Vision 2030 plan update was presented to the county a few weeks ago. Vision 2030 (<u>http://www.baltometro.org/content/view/94/176/</u>) was originally launched in the summer of 2001 in an effort to involve residents, businesses and government in reaching consensus on a clear, consistent and realistic vision for the future of transportation for the Baltimore region over the next ten, twenty and thirty years.

Library Update:

Groundbreaking for the new Finksburg Library took place August 2, 2007 at 9:00 AM on the property. FPACC representatives were on hand and would like to take this opportunity to thank the Commissioners on approving the library project and bid. A library in Finksburg has been a FPACC initiative for about the past 10 years and we have consistently worked to keep the project alive. FPACC past president, Jim Johnson, has served on the Finksburg Library committee. FPACC was the first to suggest the "green building concept" for the library and provided the specific geo-thermal HVAC info for them to consider. Furthermore FPACC and Jim continued to champion the green building features and the economic sense it makes for the County in the future in terms of energy savings (Thank you BGE rate increases!). Saving \$\$\$\$ for ALL county taxpayers! Now the State of MD has told the County that they are looking at this as a "role model" for the rest of the State!

Development Updates:

There is a meeting on August 21 about a development on Brown Road near Lawndale. The project is named Century Hollow and is located on the East side of Brown Road, south of Lawndale Road. Zoning is Conservation and the area is 23.22 Acres. The proposal is for 8 lots (6 new, 2 existing). (http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/plan/pzc/minutes/07-05-15.pdf)

The Hidden Creek development has been proposed at the South side of Kay's Mill Rd., opposite Tylers Ct. The current zoning is Conservation and the area is 25.16 acres. There has been a request for 7 lots. (http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/plan/pzc/minutes/07-05-15.pdf)

Legislative Updates:

Monday, August 20, 3 p.m. Public workshop to answer questions and receive comments on a proposal to allow the storage of sewage sludge (biosolids) as a permanent zoning text amendment - Room 105

<u>Tuesday</u>, <u>August 28, 10 a.m.</u> Public hearing on a proposal to allow the storage of sewage sludge (biosolids) as a permanent zoning text amendment - Room 311, 10 a.m.

Mark Your Calendar:

General Council meetings are the 4th Thursday of the month at the Sandy Mount United Methodist Church. Meetings begin at 7 PM. Board meetings are usually held on the 1st Wednesday of each month. Membership Dues Accepted:

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Membership:

Once again we ask to please pay your membership dues for 2007. You can pay your dues online, at our meeting, or print a form on our website and mail it in. The annual cost is only \$10 for residents and \$25 for businesses. We are looking to grow membership in '07. So please bring a friend and pay your dues. Thanks so much.

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