

**CECIL COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**16 August 2010**

**Present:** Doordan, B. Patrick; McDowell, H. Clay; Mortimer, William; Taylor, Randall; Wiggins, Kennard; Houston, Clifford; Sennstrom, Eric

**Absent:** Janusz, Joe; Wallace, Wyatt; Dempsey, Gale; Demmler, Rebecca

**Call to Order:** Chairman Mortimer called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion was made by B. Patrick Doordan to approve the July meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Kennard Wiggins. All members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

**Special Exceptions**

**File 3521 – Christine Wertsch**

Christine Wertsch appeared to present her application to renew a special exception for a home occupation for a handyperson business. Ms. Wertsch testified that she is the sole employee of the business and that no customers come to her home. Her focus is on painting, trim work, drywall repair with 95% of the activities taking place at the customer's location.

Vice Chairman Doordan read the comments of the Department of Environmental Health.

Chairman Mortimer asked if anyone desired to speak in favor or in opposition to the request. No one rose to speak.

Staff recommended approval for as long as the applicant owns the property and operates the business.

Motion was made by H. Clay McDowell to recommend approval for as long as the applicant owns the property and operates the business. Motion was seconded by B. Patrick Doordan. All members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

**File 3522 – April L. Foster**

April L. Foster appeared to present her application to establish an antique shop in an existing detached garage. Ms. Foster testified that the retail operation would mostly involve small antiques such as pictures and knick knacks with very little furniture. Ms. Foster stated that the antiques shop would be open from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Her husband and she would be the only employees.

Vice Chairman Doordan read the comments from the Department of Environmental Health.

Chairman Mortimer asked if anyone desired to speak in favor or in opposition to the request. No one rose to speak.

Staff recommended approval for 2 years.

Motion was made by B. Patrick Doordan to recommend approval for two years. The motion was seconded by H. Clay McDowell. All members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Chairman Mortimer adjourned the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** 20 September 2010

Respectfully submitted:

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Eric S. Sennstrom, Director – Planning & Zoning