

# **Oconee County Board of Zoning Appeals**

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Minutes 6:00 P.M., Thursday, August 29, 2013 Oconee County Council Chambers

#### **Members Present:**

Mr. Lee, Chairman Mr. Nichols Mr. Reckert Mr. Hughes Mr. Littlefield Mr. McKee

#### **Staff Present:**

Mr. Josh Stephens, Zoning Administrator Mr. Matthew Anspach, Planner I

### Media present:

None

# Item 1. Call to Order

Mr. Lee called the meeting to order.

# Item 2. Approval of Minutes – July 25, 2013

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Reckert seconded the motion. The minutes were approved 6-0.

# Item 3. Public Comment

None

# Item 4. Variance Request 251-00-04-034

Mr. Anspach stated the matter before the Board was a variance request applied for by the A.I.D. company related to the front setback requirements of Sec. 38-10.11.

Eric Lambert presented on behalf of A.I.D. Mr. Lambert presented details related to the variance request, sign location and sign details. Mr. Lambert that A.I.D. is

requesting a 25 foot variance from the standards contained with Sec. 38-10.11 of the Zoning Enabling Ordinance.

Mr. McKee asked about the height of the sign. Mr. Lambert responded that the sign 48 inches tall.

Mr. Lee asked if the sign would affect line of sight at the entrance of the site. Mr. Lambert stated that it would not.

Mr. Reckert asked when the parking lot was built and why the right-of-way was not considered. Mr. Lambert stated that is was probably overlooked. Mr. Reckert asked if the sign would affect any utilities. Mr. Lambert said that it would not.

Mr. Stephens stated that staff made a site visit to ensure that utilities would not be affected. If the variance is granted the sign would be located 5 feet off of the property line.

In response to Mr. Hughes, Mr. Lambert stated that the manhole is 12 feet away from the sign. Mr. Stephens stated that it was part of the sewer system.

Mr. Hughes made a motion to approve the variance as requested. Mr. Reckert seconded the motion. Mr. Hughes stated that this is industrial property and that the site is unique. The motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Lee called a 3 minutes recess for the Board Order to be prepared.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the Board Order. Mr. Hughes seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

#### Item 6. Old Business

Staff presented identification badges to the Board.

#### Item 7. New Business

None

#### Item 8. Adjourn

Mr. Nichols made a motion to adjourn and Mr. McKee seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.