



Oconee County Planning Commission

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Minutes

Planning Commission Meeting

October 17, 2011

The Oconee County Planning Commission held a regular meeting on October 17, 2011 at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers at the Oconee County Administrative Building, 415 S. Pine St., Walhalla, SC 29691.

Members Present: Ryan Honea, (Chairman)
Howard Moore
David Lyle
Andy Heller
Bill Gilster
Tommy Abbott

Staff Present: Yancey Green (Planner)

Media Present: Carlos Galarza, Daily Journal

Item 1: Call to Order

Chairman Honea called the meeting to order.

Item 2: Approval of Minutes

Ms. Heller made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2011. Mr. Gilster seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 3a: Public Comment- General Comments

Mr. Mathis spoke against being zoned Lake Residential and that Lake Keowee already has plenty of regulation for surrounding properties.

Mr. Codner spoke on behalf of the Cane Creek Petitioners. He was concerned about 2011-19 and said that the Commission needs to strengthen the Lake Overlay without harming those who are farther from the lake.

Item 3b: Public Comment- Comments related to review of Zoning Use Classifications-all districts

None.

Item 4: Discussion and/or Consideration of Ordinance 2011-19, referenced as Mathis Request

No public comment.

Mr. Green reviewed the staff presentation with the Commission.

Mr. Abbott made a motion to send the ordinance forward to County Council. Mr. Moore seconded the motion.

Discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 5: Discussion and/or Consideration of Ordinance 2011-21, referenced as McClure and Return Church Road Request

Ms. Moorehead discussed how her family and several others had lived in the area for several generations and how they wanted to remain rural.

Mr. Green reviewed the staff presentation with the Commission.

Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the original petition including the contiguous public input properties as part of the ordinance to go to County Council and for the Planning Department to send notices to the subsequent property owners who were surrounded by the request and the City of Seneca. Mr. Abbott seconded the motion. Discussion followed.

The motion passed 5-1 with Mr. Gilster voting against the motion.

Item 6: Discussion and/or Consideration of Ordinance 2011-24, referenced as Willow Lane Request

No Public Comment.

Mr. Green reviewed the staff presentation with the Commission.

Discussion followed.

Ms. Heller made a motion to approve the request with the public input. Mr. Honea seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Item 7: Discussion and/or Consideration of Ordinance 2011-29, Council Initiated Rezoning of County Owned Industrial Parks

No Public Comment

Mr. Green reviewed the staff presentation with the Commission.

Discussion followed. Mr. Gilster made a motion to send the ordinance to County Council. Mr. Moore seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Item 8: Discussion and/or Consideration of Zoning Use Matrix recommendations by the Planning Commission

Mr. Green explained to the Commission that it would be better to wait to approve the matrix until reviewing the conditional uses since some of the uses may change.

Ms. Heller made a motion to table approving the matrix until a later date. Mr. Lyle seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Item 9: Discussion of Planning Commission goals for the remainder of 2011 (Mr. Bill Gilster)

The Commission discussed implementing some goals but decided to wait until the first of the next year to set goals for itself.

Item 10: Old Business

Item 11: New Business

Item 12: Adjourn

The Commission adjourned.