

Oconee County Planning Commission

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Minutes Planning Commission Meeting August 20, 2012

The Oconee County Planning Commission held a regular meeting on August 20, 2012 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 Tommy Abbott David Lyle Andrea Heller Gwen McPhail Bill Gilster

Staff Present: Yancey Green (Planner)

Josh Stephens (Zoning Administrator)

Media Present: Mike Eades, Daily Journal

Item 1: Call to Order

Mr. Honea called the meeting to order.

Item 2: Approval of Minutes

Mr. Abbott made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 16, 2012 meeting; Mr. Moore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 3: Staff Comment

Mr. Moulder presented to the Commission concerning the changes to the Planning Building Codes offices.

Item 4: Public Comment

Mr. Jim Codner spoke in concern of the Planning Commission goals and hoped that they would maintain those goals.

Mr. Stubblefield stated that zoning was not right for property owners and that he was sorry he helped gather petitions.

Mr. B.J. Littleton stated that he would not be aware of what was happening in the County if the Seneca Journal was not keeping him informed. He also stated that decisions of the Planning Commission and County Council are against God's freedom.

Item 5: Consideration of Ordinance 2012-25 (Mountain Springs)

Mr. Stephens presented to the Commission the additional public comment that was received concerning the Mountain Springs area. Mr. Abbott made a motion that the entire area be recommended to be rezoned to the Traditional Rural District. Ms. McPhail seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 6: Planning Commission Goals update

Mr. Stephens showed the Commission the Goals that they created and updated the Commission on the progress of those goals. Mr. Moore stated that he was concerned about growth on Hwy. 11 between Walhalla and the new high school.

Item 7: Old Buisness

Mr. Stephens informed the Commission that he was working to update the zoning matrix.

Item 8: New Buisness

The Planning Commission decided to only meet during the seconded monthly meeting on September 17.

Item 9: Adjourn