

Oconee County Planning Commission

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Minutes Planning Commission June 24, 2013

The Oconee County Planning Commission held a meeting on June 24, 2013 at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers at the Oconee County Administrative Building, 415 S. Pine St., Walhalla, SC 29691.

Members Present: David Lyle, Chairman

Ryan Honea Andrea Heller Gwen McPhail Bill Gilster

William Childress Bradley Hancox

Staff Present: Josh Stephens, Zoning Administrator

Matthew Anspach, Planner I

Mr. Tom Martin, Esq., County Attorney

Media Present: None

Item 1: Call to Order

Mr. Lyle called the meeting to order.

Item 2: Approval of the Minutes from May 20th Meeting

Mrs. McPhail made a motion that the minutes be approved. Mr. Honea seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Item 3: Public Comment

None

Item 4: Ordinance 2013-09 (Sub01)

Mr. Stephens presented the details of Ordinance 2013-09 request to the Commission for discussion and consideration.

Mr. Gilster asked if Traditional Rural was granted would this be inconsistent with the parcels zoned in the area. Mr. Stephens stated that Traditional Rural had been granted in the past in similar situations.

Mr. Honea noted that the area was within the Lake Overlay.

Mr. Lyle asked Mr. Neville is he owned adjacent property. Mr. Neville stated the property was in the name of Neville Brothers.

Mr. Honea made a motion that the Planning Commission forward the request to County Council with the recommendation of Traditional Rural. Mr. Gilster seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 5: Update from Ordinance Review Subcommittee

Mr. Stephens stated that staff and the Subcommittee have made progress in the review of Chapter 32 and Chapter 38 of Oconee County's Code of Ordinances.

Mrs. Heller, Mr. Gilster and Mr. Honea made general comments regarding the review process thus far.

Item 6: Activity Update

Mr. Stephens updated the Commission regarding recent development activity in Oconee County. He stated that permitting is still strong when compared to previous years.

Mr. Gilster asked if staff had received any new rezoning requests. Mr. Stephens stated that staff had no new requests.

Item 7: Old Business

Mr. Stephens introduced Mr. Anspach. Mr. Anspach stated that he was excited to be a part of the team and was looking forward to working with the Commission.

Item 8: New Business

Mr. Lyle stated he would work with staff to choose a date for the next meeting.

Mr. Martin made general comments regarding split-zoning simply as information for the Commission. Mr. Martin applauded the Commission for the ordinance review that is underway.

Item 9: Adjourn

Mr. Honea moved to adjourn. Mr. Gilster seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.