

OCONEE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

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MINUTES

6:00 PM, MONDAY, JULY 18, 2016 COUNCIL CHAMBERS OCONEE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX

Members Present: Mr. Ownbey, Chairman

Mr. Johnson Ms. McPhail Mr. Richards Mr. Honea Mr. Kisker

Staff Present: Josh Stephens, Deputy Director – Community Development

David Root, County Attorney

Media Present: Dick Mangrum – WGOG

Steven Bradley – The Journal

1. Call to Order

Mr. Ownbey called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Honea motioned to approve the minutes from June 20, 2016. Ms. McPhail seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 - 0 - 1 with Mr. Kisker abstaining as he was absent last meeting.

3. Public Comment for Agenda and Non-Agenda Items (3 minutes)

Mr. Jerry Barnett expressed his general opposition to work of the Commission as it related to zoning.

Mr. Tom Markovich stated his position as it related to setback grandfathering and that the county should closely study the legal aspects surrounding Rustic Elegance.

4. Discussion concerning the Control Free District and possible amendments

Mr. Stephens briefed the Commission on the matter and the particulars related thereto. After general discussion, Mr. Stephens stated that staff would continue to work on the matter with Mr. Root.

5. Discussion regarding Appalachian Rustic Elegance

Mr. Stephens presented the contents of draft language regarding this matter. There was consensus among the members that the standards should apply to commercial developments and multi-family developments consisting of more than 16 units.

Additionally, there was consensus among the members to have staff continue working on the matter.

6. Old Business

None.

7. New Business

There was consensus among the members to have staff present what has been completed to date regarding amendments to the county's land use standards.

8. Adjourn

Mr. Richards motioned to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.