



PLANNING COMMISSION

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COMMISSION MEMBERS

Mike Johnson, Chairman, At-Large Teresa Spicer, District 1 Joshua Owens, District 4 Mickey Haney, At-Large David Nix, Vice Chair, District 2 Brit Adams, District 3 Via Phone - Gary Gaulin, District 5

STAFF

James Coley, Planning Director
Elise Dunaway, Planner I & Office Manager

MEDIA

Lauren Pierce, The Journal

MINUTES

6:00 pm, Monday, April 1, 2024 Council Chambers - Oconee County 415 S. Pine St, Walhalla SC 29691

- 1. Call to Order Mr. Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.
- 2. Invocation was led by Mr. Nix
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Owens
- 4. Approval of minutes from March 18, 2024 Mr. Haney made a motion to approve the minutes; Seconded by Mr. Adams. Approved unanimously.
- Public Comment for <u>Non-Agenda Items</u> (4 minutes per person):
 Gary Owens from Salem voiced his concern regarding why development standards were not on the agenda for the current meeting.

Linda Lovely voiced her concerns regarding the development standards within the county as well as the proposed development on Hwy 130.

Sharon DeRitter from District 1 voiced her concerns regarding development standards within the county. She reviewed the documents she previously provided to the planning commission members.

Serena Richardson voiced her concerns regarding development standards and the removal of the 50 foot right-of-way.

Jeff Jones from District 1 voiced his concerns regarding development standards.

David McMahan voiced his concerns regarding agricultural zoning within Fair Play.

Beverly Pressley from District 5 voiced her concerns regarding the zoning within the county.

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Debbie Brown from District 1 voiced her concerns regarding the proposed development on Hwy 130.

Tom Markovich voiced his concerns regarding the process of a subdivision ordinance.

6. Commission Member Comments

Mr. Gaulin was curious why development standards was not on the agenda. He is onboard with hiring a consultant to help and he is interested in a tree ordinance prevent clear cutting.

Mr. Johnson stated he was surprised with the response from Advocates for Quality Development (AQD) that development standards is not on the agenda when the Agricultural Advisory Board and the Fair Play Development Committee are both on the agenda in order to discuss development standards.

- 7. Update for the Agricultural Advisory Board Mrs. Kim Alexander, Agricultural Advisory Board Chairman, had an open discussion with the Planning Commission regarding development standards.
- 8. Fair Play Development Committee Presentation
 Open conversation with Terry Jackson and Alicia Walker regarding the proposed Fair Play
 Development Master Plan.
- 9. Discussion regarding rezoning request for Keowee Plantation subdivision
 - a. Public Comment: N/A
 - b. Discussion / Vote:

Mr. Johnson made a motion to send a recommendation to county council to approve the rezoning request for Keowee Plantation subdivision. Approved unanimously.

10. Adjourn – The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:24PM.