



# Oconee County Planning Commission

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## Minutes Planning Commission Meeting July 18, 2011

The Oconee County Planning Commission held a regular meeting on July 18, 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  
Gwen McPhail  
Andy Heller

Staff Present: Aaron Gadsby (County Planner)  
Yancey Green (Planner)

Media Present: Carlos Galarza, Daily Journal  
Ray Chandler, Anderson Independent Mail  
Dick Mangrum, WGOG

### 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 June 20, 2011 meeting. Ms. McPhail seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Item 3a: Public Comment- General Comments

Ms. Susie Cornelius raised concerns about naming of roads and the need for the County to begin correcting duplicate road names.

### Item 3b: Public Comment- related to ongoing review of ZEO

Mr. David McMahan asked the Commission to readdress the North Fairview Rezoning Request and to read emails obtained under the Daily Journal Freedom of Information Request.

### Item 3c: Extended Public Comment

Mr. John Lake spoke on issues surrounding the need for preliminary review of commercial projects by the Planning Commission.

#### **Item 4: Consideration of Proposed Change to Road Naming and Addressing Ordinance**

Mr. Travis Tilson, E-911 Communications Director, and Mr. Mike Powel, IT Director, spoke with the Commission about some of the addressing issues facing the county. The Commission asked that the appropriate Emergency personal come to appeals so that their concerns can be heard. Ms. McPhail made a motion to include in the appeal language of the Road naming and Addressing Policy, that appeals being heard by the Commission would be accompanied with recommendation from the appropriate Emergency Personal. Ms. Heller seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Item 5: Discussion and/or Consideration of Ordinance 2011-14, referenced as Keowee Key and Stamp Creek Request**

##### **a. Public Comment**

The following individuals spoke in favor of the rezoning request, specifically the LRD zoning, Mr. Gary Owens, Ms. Darleen Sprowls, Mr. Ed Card, and Mr. Kevin Minton.

The following individuals raised concerns and opposition to the current proposal: McCall Brothers, LLC (Mr. Keller McCall and Mr. Wayne McCall), Ms. Roberta Barton, and Mr. Mike Cormit, and Mr. Bret Adams.

##### **b. Staff Presentation**

Mr. Gadsby presented the Commission with the details of the request, noting all input received, compliance with the Comprehensive Plan, issues to consider, and presented maps for consideration. A PowerPoint of the presentation was given to the Commission and Mr. Gadsby stated that the presentation would be posted online the following day.

##### **c. Discussion and/or Consideration**

After receiving all public comments and the staff presentation the Commission discussed the issue. Mr. Moore made a motion to place the rezoning request on the next agenda so that the Commission had time to consider all that we presented. Ms. McPhail seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Item 6: Discussion of Non-subdivision Residential Development**

Mr. Gadsby handed out a first draft of standards designed to help clarify what is required of developers not subdividing property, but building residential units. No discussion occurred.

#### **Item 7: Old Business**

Mr. Moore asked that an electronic copy of the emails, referenced as the Daily Journal Freedom of Information Request be provided to the Commission.

Ms. Heller discussed the need to expedite the review of the zoning ordinance with Saturday meetings. Discussion followed. The Commission decided to continue with a workshop at the second meeting in August to see how much gets done.

**Item 8: New Business**

Mr. Gadsby asked the Commission to be thinking about how they wanted to handle the Labor Day Holiday in September and if they wanted to reschedule we would need to pick a date for the meeting.

Mr. Gadsby informed the Commission regarding an upcoming Continuing Education Training session on August 25<sup>th</sup>, with details to follow.

**Item 9: Adjourn**