



**MINUTES**  
**PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**July 21, 2011**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Mr. Paul Corbeil, District I, Chairman  
Mr. Archie Barron, District III  
Mr. Reginald T. Dexter, District V

The Planning & Economic Development Committee met on Thursday, July 21, 2011 at 4:00 PM in the Council Chambers, Oconee County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all members present [except Mr. Barron], Administrator Scott Moulder and Clerk to Council, Elizabeth Hulse.

**Press:**

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting, date, time, place of meeting and agenda were posted on the bulletin board at the County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC, and the County Council website [[www.oconeese.com/council](http://www.oconeese.com/council)]. In addition it was made available [upon request] to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Member of the press present:

Ray Chandler - Anderson Independent Mail

**Call to Order:**

Chairman Corbeil called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Mr. Dexter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Corbeil, approved 2 - 0 to approve the minutes from April 21, 2011 meeting as presented.

**Motion to Amend Agenda:**

Mr. Dexter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Corbeil, approved 2 - 0 to move New Business to the end of the agenda.

**Department Reports / Updates:**

**Planning Department**

Mr. Art Holbrooks, Planning Director, addressed the Committee utilizing a PowerPoint presentation [copy filed with these minutes] and discussed the following topics:

- Development Activity
- PointeWest - Phase I
- FEMA
- Air Quality
- Stormwater

Mr. Aaron Gadsby, Planner, addressed the Committee utilizing a PowerPoint presentation [copy filed with these minutes] and discussed the following topics:

- Zoning
- Remaining Requests
- Planning Commission Review

Mr. Gadsby requested approval from the committee to bring forward for a September Council meeting all remaining rezoning requests. The Committee concurred with the request.

Mr. Dexter requested that the Planning staff prepare for Council action an ordinance [for the September 6, 2011 Council meeting] that identifies on the zoning map park and public lands, state and federal lands, and industrial sites.

### **Economic Development**

Mr. Jim Alexander, Economic Development Director, addressed the Committee utilizing a PowerPoint presentation [copy filed with these minutes] and discussed the following topics:

- Mission
- Website Update
- Golden Corner Commerce Park [GCCP] Entrance Road Update
- Echo Hills Industrial Park
- Shell Building
- Mountain Lakes Business Development Corp.
- Upstate Alliance Partnership Day
- Strategic Plan Update
- EDC Newsletter
- Seneca Middle School "Camp Success"
- Anderson-Oconee-Pickens Business & Industry Showcase
- Item for Action

Mr. Dexter requested that the Administrator bring forward to the next Council meeting his proposal regarding sewer for action by Council noting that a decision on sewer for the GCCP and southern end of the county has languished for too long. Discussion followed.

Mr. Moulder stated he would have an action item on the August 16, 2011 Council meeting regarding sewer.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Census Date Review**

It was noted that this topic is scheduled for discussion at an upcoming Budget, Finance & Administration Committee [where all council members will be present] therefore this matter was deferred to that meeting and no action was taken.

### **New Business:**

#### **Request for Public Meetings re: Sewer**

Mr. Dexter asked that the Planning Department Staff and the County Administrator set up meetings in the Fair Play community in order to provide information regarding:

- How rezoning would effect the community
- How the I85 overlay would effect rezoning
- How the county can assist interested parties with a rezoning request

Discussion followed.

Mr. Moulder stated that he would develop a plan for community meetings and that he would report back to the committee.

### **Adjourn:**

Mr. Dexter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Corbeil, approved unanimously to adjourn at 4:56 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Elizabeth G. Hulse, Clerk to Council