



MINUTES
PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING
July 9, 2013

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 at 5:30 PM in the Council Chambers, Oconee County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all members present, Administrator Scott Moulder and Clerk to Council, Elizabeth Hulse.

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Art Holbrooks, Strategic Planner & Special Projects; Mr. Josh Stephens, Zoning Administrator; Mr. Matt Anspach, Planner 1; Mr. Richard Blackwell, Economic Development Director; and, Mr. Russell Johnson, Economic Development Project & Marketing Manager.

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]. 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

Call to Order:

Mr. Corbeil called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Barron made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dexter, approved 3 – 0 to approve the minutes from April 9, 2013 meeting as presented.

Department Reports / Updates:

Planning Department / Community Development / Zoning

Mr. Stephens and Mr. Holbrooks addressed the Committee utilizing a PowerPoint presentation [copy filed with these minutes] and discussed key areas:

- Building Development
- Planning & Zoning
- Air Quality
- Oconee County Comprehensive Plan review begun by Mr. Holbrooks, Mr. Stephens & Mr. Anspach
- Update re: Transit Feasibility Study
- Keowee Toxaway Project Relicensing
- Recycling

Economic Development

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

- Mission
- EDC Activities Update
- Product Development
 - Golden Corner Commerce Park [in August will begin work for Certified Industrial Park Certification process]
 - Oconee Industry & Technology Park [*formerly Echo Hills*] - Received Certified Industrial Park Certification

- Buildings Update
 - Seneca Commerce Center
 - Jacob's Chuck Building
 - Nalley Building
- Workforce Development
 - Kroeger Building
 - BMI South Building
 - Other Developments

New Business:

None at this meeting.

Adjourn:

Mr. Dexter made a motion approved unanimously to adjourn at 6:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Elizabeth G. Hulse
Clerk to Council