



OCONEE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

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MINUTES

6:00 PM, MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2016

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

OCONEE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX

Members Present: Mr. Ownbey, Chairman
Mr. Johnson
Ms. McPhail
Mr. Richards
Mr. Honea
Mr. Kisker

Staff Present: Matthew Anspach, Planner 1
Josh Stephens, Deputy Director – Community Development
David Root, County Attorney

Media Present: Dick Mangrum, WGOG

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Minutes

Ms. McPhail motioned to approve the minutes from May 2, 2016. Mr. Honea seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Mr. Jerry Barnett expressed his support for the protection of property rights.

Mr. Mike Smith his support for the development of Appalachian Rustic Elegance standards.

Mr. John Wendorf expressed his opposition to the development of pocket neighborhoods and inquired as to the status the Commission work regarding property maintenance.

Mr. Jim Codner expressed his support for the development of Appalachian Rustic Elegance standards.

4. Update on Commission 2016 Goals

Mr. Stephens presented on the status of each of the goals the Commission established for 2016.

5. Presentation on Corridors

Mr. Stephens presented a Oconee County Corridor Plan. Mr. Stephens discussed a number of items to consider when planning around corridors. The presentation focused on Hwy 123 between Clemson and Seneca, SC, Hwy 11 and Hwy 59 to include Fair Play and Exit 2 and 4 along Interstate 85.

6. Continued Discussion Regarding Residential Zoning

Mr. Stephens stated that the proposed drafts of cluster/pocket neighborhood standards had been distributed to a number of local developers for review and comment. Mr. Stephens presented what comments had been received to date and stated those comments would be incorporated into the draft proposal concerning possible residential zoning amendments.

7. Discussion of Appalachian Rustic Elegance

There was lengthy discussion amongst the members of the Commission as to the particulars of this issue.

The Commission asked staff to draft a specific definition for Appalachian Rustic Elegance and to research if other communities had adopted similar standards.

8. Old Business

None.

9. New Business

None.

10. Adjourn

Mr. Kisker motioned to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM.