

OCONEE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

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Minutes

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Members Present

Mike Johnson
Frankie Pearson
Mike Smith
Andrew Gramling
Gwen McPhail
Stacey Lyles
Alex Vassey

Staff Present

Adam Chapman
Vivian Kompier

Media Present

None

1. Call to Order – Mr. Pearson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm
2. Invocation by Ms. Lyles
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Public Comment for Non-Agenda Items (3 minutes per person)
Mr. Barnett spoke about the Planning Commission members who are for the County and thanked them.
5. Planning Commissioner response - None
6. Approval of minutes from 10/21/2019
AM meeting – Motion by Mr. Gramling, seconded by Ms. McPhail approved 7/0.
PM meeting – Motion by Ms. McPhail, seconded by Mr. Smith and approved 7/0.
7. Review of the draft 2030 Comprehensive Plan
 - a. Public Comment
Mr. Barnett asked please do not use the Comprehensive Plan as a weapon against Oconee County and understand the Bill of Rights and Right to Farm Act.
Mr. Markovich mentioned that Clemson is in a dilemma and we do not want to have the same problem. The Goals, Objectives, and Strategies are redundant and need to be rewritten. Also, the County has until November 9, 2020 to finalize the Comprehensive Plan, that is a whole year to refine it.

b. Discussion / Vote –

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to change the first page, last line to “This plan was made by and for the people of Oconee County.” Seconded by Ms. McPhail and approved 7/0.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to change the title of the 2030 Comprehensive Plan to 2020 Comprehensive Plan and Mr. Gramling seconded, the motion passed 7/0.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to go over the Time Frame for Evaluation; annually vs. occasionally with staff, seconded by Ms. McPhail and approved 7/0.

A motion was made by Ms. Lyles to change the last paragraph in the Executive Summary’s - How to implement the Plan to add “and inform the Planning Commission annually of the progress”, seconded by Ms. McPhail and approved 7/0.

A motion was made by Ms. McPhail for her to edit the document for grammatical errors, seconded by Mr. Pearson and approved 7/0.

8. Corridor Plan working group

a. Public Comment - None

b. Discussion / Vote –

Ms. McPhail made a motion to have a Corridor Plan subcommittee, seconded by Mr. Smith and approved 7/0.

Ms. McPhail made a motion to adopt the working group makeup (attached), seconded by Mr. Johnson and approved 7/0.

At this point Mr. Pearson excused himself for a family emergency and Mr. Johnson (Vice Chairman) took over the meeting.

Ms. McPhail made a motion for Ms. Lyles and Mr. Gramling be on the first subcommittee.

Ms. McPhail amended the motion to include Mr. Johnson and to have a start date as January 1st, 2020, seconded by Ms. Lyles and the motion passed 6/0.

9. Unfinished Business - None

10. New Business - None

11. Adjourn – The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:01pm



Oconee County Planning

LAND-USE

SITE-PLAN REVIEW

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Possible Corridor Planning working-group flow

1. Build working group-----1-2 meetings
2. Intent -----2-3 meetings
3. Planning Commission update
4. Traffic/Safety-----3-5 meetings
5. Planning Commission update
6. Landscaping-----3-5 meetings
7. Planning Commission update
8. Signage-----3-5 meetings
9. Planning Commission update
10. Building design standards-----3-5 meetings
11. Planning Commission update

Possible Corridor Planning working-group makeup

- A. Planning Commissioners 2-3 (Rotating out as topics change)
- B. Property/Business / Industry owners 2-5
- C. Stakeholder groups 2-5
- D. Staff 1-2
- E. Industry professionals as needed, such as:
 - SCDOT
 - OC Roads and Bridges
 - Landscapers
 - Signage professionals
 - Architects
 - Builders
 - other Planners

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