

# OCONEE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

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## Minutes

3:00 pm- Monday, December 2, 2019

Council Chambers - Oconee County Administrative Complex

### Members Present

Frankie Pearson  
Mike Smith  
Gwen McPhail  
Alex Vassey  
Mike Johnson

### Staff Present

Adam Chapman  
Vivian Kompier

### Media Present

None

1. Call to Order – Mr. Pearson called the meeting to order at 3:00pm
2. Invocation by Ms. McPhail
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Public Comment for Non-Agenda Items (3 minutes per person)  
Mr. Barnett explained that Upstate Forever is a scam that is mostly political. He is a big fan of Conservation Easements just not Forever.
5. Planning Commissioner response - None
6. Approval of minutes from 11.18.2019  
Ms. McPhail made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Smith, approved 5/0.
7. Comprehensive Plan 2020
  - a. Public Comment – Mr. Barnett said that a lot of work and time went into the Comprehensive Plan but is concerned about it becoming a weapon.
  - b. Discussion/Vote –  
Mr. Smith made motion to change Tab 1, page 16, of the Executive Summary to read “The strategies noted as On-Going are projects, relationships and activities that should be reviewed by the planning commission and looked at dynamically and not held to a specific point in time. The strategies noted as Annually are projects, relationships and activities that may be linked to other organization’s timelines and may need to be addressed on a yearly basis by the planning commission.” Seconded by Ms. McPhail and approved 5/0.

Mr. Vasey made a motion to approve the Comprehensive Plan with the changes, seconded by Mr. Smith and approved 5/0.

Mr. Smith made a motion to send the revised Comprehensive Plan to County Council, seconded by Mr. Johnson and approved 5/0.

Ms. McPhail made a motion to have Mr. Pearson present the Comprehensive Plan to County Council, seconded by Mr. Smith and approved 5/0.

Mr. Smith made a motion to present the Executive Summary to County Council himself, seconded by Ms. McPhail and approved 5/0.

8. Unfinished Business - None
9. New Business – Mr. Chapman mentioned that some chapters of the Code of Ordinances are being updated.
10. Adjourn – The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 3:40pm.

Anyone wishing to submit written comments to the Planning Commission can send their comments to the Planning Department by mail or by emailing them to the email address below. Please Note: If you would like to receive a copy of the agenda via email please contact our office, or email us at [achapman@oconeesc.com](mailto:achapman@oconeesc.com).