



Oconee County Scenic Hwy Committee

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Minutes

Scenic Highway Committee Meeting: June 28, 2011

The Oconee County Scenic Highway Committee held a regularly scheduled meeting on June 28, 2012 at 3:00 PM in the Conference Room at the Oconee County Administrative Building, 415 S. Pine St., Walhalla, SC 29691.

Members Present: Luther Lyle
David LaVere
Jeri Klaren
Alan Boggs
Bob Kennedy
Harold Thomas
Judy Koepnick

Yancey Green (Planner)

Media Present: None

Also Present: Paul Corbeil (County Council)
Art Holbrooks (Planning Director)

Item 1: Chairman LaVere called the meeting to order.

Item 2: Approval of Minutes from the April 12, 2012 meeting-

Mr. Boggs made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Lyle seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Item 3: Discussion of Request for Council to Designate Sheep Farm Road a County Scenic Highway -

Mr. Corbeil informed the Committee that County Council did not designate Sheep Farm Road as recommended by the Scenic Highway Committee. Discussion followed, with a majority of the Committee members noting their main concern being the installation of billboards on the road, which would have been blocked by designation. Mr. Corbeil stated that Council's desire was for the road to become a significant commercial area, but felt that it would be possible to limit billboards through avenues other than designation.

Item 4: Discussion of Zoning

The Committee discussed possible ways to protect Highway 11. Mr. Corbeil made some suggestions to the Committee for ways to accomplish their goals, and recommended the development of an action plan for creating a scenic highway overlay. Ms. Koepnick agreed to coordinate the effort to create a draft for the Committee's consideration.

Item 5: Old Business –

Mr. Green reported to the Committee that, as instructed at the last meeting, he had contacted the SCDOT about the possibility of limiting the amount of vegetation cut along

Highway 11. The DOT representative indicated that it may be possible if the Committee suggested a program. The Committee discussed how this could be effectively done, and agreed to discuss further in the future.

Item 6: New Business- There was none.

Item 7: Adjourn