



**D** AGENDA  
**LAURENS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

**c** **December 19, 2023**  
**e** **5:30PM**  
**m** **LAURENS COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS**

Bobby Smith, Chairman and Ed Bums, Vice-Chairman  
**A** Commission Members: Sylvester Grant,  
Casey Robinson, Tom Robertson, Abney Smith, and Michael Floyd

1. Call to Order - Chairman Bobby Smith
2. Invocation - Commissioner Michael Floyd
3. Pledge of Allegiance - Chairman Bobby Smith
4. Approval of Agenda - December 19, 2023
5. Approval of Minutes - October 17, 2023, Regular Session
6. Old Business:
7. New Business:
  - a. Variance Request for relief from not having to pave the road due to the length of the private road, as required by Laurens County Code of Ordinances, specifically Ordinance #901, Sec. 32-190 (D), Sec. 32-162 (B), and Sec. 32-97 (A).

**Applicant:** Bruce Parris

**Parcel#:** 349-00-00-007, 3315 Metric Road

- 1) Staff Summary: Staff Recommends approval of the variance with the stated conditions. The road is over the Ordinance limit of 500 feet but due to public safety concerns, Metric Road traffic volume and 911 addressing, it is Staffs finding that the variance would allow for all of the parcels to be addressed and served by the private road and reduce the number of accesses off of Metric Road. Currently the parcels are listed as being in agricultural use and the Applicant requests the variance to allow for the additional length of the road without it having to be paved.
- 2) Applicant's Introduction to the Project. (*Commissioners' Fact-Finding Questioning of the Applicant & Project*)

- 3) Public Commenting Period- Limited to a twenty (20) minute period for each project being reviewed. *(Members of the Public wishing to speak are required to sign in prior to the Meeting. All comments made by the Public must pertain only to the project being reviewed. The members of the Public are restricted to 2 minutes each and are urged not to repeat comments already made by others. Members of the Public are urged to have one speaker represent their comments as a group. Although Commissioners are urged to refrain from answering public comments until the Commission Commenting period, the Chairman is permitted to interrupt a speaker's opportunity to comment if the speaker becomes abusive or wanders off the subject of the project being reviewed. Once the public comment portion for a particular item has been closed, no additional public comments are permitted, unless requested by the Commission.)*
- 4) Applicant's Chance to Address Public Comments and Concerns *(Commissioners opportunity to question the Applicant on public concerns. The Public must refrain from any comments in the audience during the Applicant's address. Members of the public not respecting this process will be asked to leave the meeting.)*
- 5) Closure of the Fact-Finding Period.
- 6) Commission Member Deliberation & Discussion: *(Comments during this period are restricted to the Commissioners. The Commissioners may respond to comments made by the public at this time. This period is strictly for the Commissioners to discuss their findings and determine whether the project meets the State law requirements for approval of the Applicant's request. The public may not interrupt, make comments, or shout from the audience, or ask questions during this time unless specifically called upon by a Commissioner. Members of the public not respecting this process will be asked to leave the meeting.)*
  - i. Commission discussion.
  - ii. A motion for approval or denial, with or without Staff's recommendations, and stating any conditions in the motion, is made by a Commission member.
  - iii. Any discussion concerning the motion.
  - iv. Vote.

b. Discussion Item: The Comprehensive Plan Status

## 8. Adjournment