



MINUTES
LAURENS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
January 16, 2024

5:30 pm
LAURENS COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
CONFERENCE ROOM

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

January 16, 2024

Commissioners Present: Ed Burns, Tom Robertson, Michael Floyd, Casey Robinson, Bobby Smith, and Sylvester Grant

Commissioners Absent: Abney Smith

Call to Order – Chairman Bobby Smith called the meeting to order at 5:27 PM.

Invocation- Commissioner Sylvester Grant

Pledge of Allegiance- Chairman Bobby Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda –January 16, 2024 - The approval of the agenda for January 16, 2024, was first motioned by Commissioner Tom Robertson, with a second motion by Commissioner Michael Floyd.

Approved 6-0

Approval of Minutes – October 17, 2023- The approval of minutes from October 17, 2023, was motioned to approve by Commissioner Casey Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Tom Robertson.

Approved 6-0

Election of Officers- Clerk Cortni Motes asked for a nomination for Vice Chairman. Commissioner Ed Burns nominated Tom Robertson, and Commissioner Michael Floyd seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and Tom Robertson was approved as Vice Chairman.

Approved 6-0

Clerk Cortni Motes asked for a nomination for Chairman, and Commissioner Michael Floyd nominated Bobby Smith. Commissioner Casey Robinson heard a second. A vote was taken, and Bobby Smith was approved as Chairman.

Approved 6-0

Old Business-

New Business-

a. **Approval of the 2024 Planning Commission Meeting Calendar.**

A motion to approve the 2024 Planning Commission Meeting Calendar was first made by Commissioner Sylvester Grant and seconded by Commissioner Tom Robertson. The 2024 Planning Commission Meeting Calendar was approved.

Approved- 6-0

- b. **Variance Request** for the Applicant, Mr. Bruce Parris, for relief from not having to pave the road due to the additional length of the private road located in the vicinity of 3315 Metric Road, Laurens County, as required by Laurens County Code of Ordinances, specifically Ordinance #901, Sec. 32-190 (D), Sec. 32-162 (B), and Sec. 32-97 (A). Parcel# 349-00-00-007

Mr. Bruce Parris stated his reasoning for requesting the variance and answered questions from the Planning Commissioners. A motion was made from Commissioner Casey Robinson to approve the variance on the grounds that Laurens County Building Codes had already approved the plat. Commissioner Michael Floyd seconded it, a vote was taken, and the motion failed. Commissioner Burns voted opposed, and Commissioners Bobby Smith, Tom Robertson, and Sylvester Grant abstained.

Denied- 2-1-3

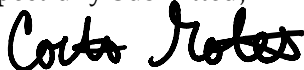
- c. **Discussion Item-** The Comprehensive Plan Status

Chairman Bobby Smith introduced Blake Sanders. Mr. Sanders gave an overview of the Comprehensive Plan and answered questions from the Planning Commissioners.

Adjournment- Chairman Bobby Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m. with a motion from Commissioner Casey Robinson and a second by Commissioner Ed Burns.

Approved 6-0

Respectfully Submitted,



Cortni Motes, Clerk 3
Laurens County Public Works