



THE PLANNING BOARD OF EFFINGHAM COUNTY, GA
FEBRUARY 22, 2010

I. WORKSHOP

II. PRE MEETING

Mr. George Shaw called the pre meeting to order.

III. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chairman Uzupan called the meeting to order.

IV. INVOCATION

Jasper Lee gave the invocation.

V. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Co -Chairman Uzupan led the pledge.

VI. AGENDA APPROVAL

Co-Chairman Uzupan asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Mr. George Shaw confirmed there were no changes. Co-Chairman Uzupan called for a motion to approve the agenda as read. Jeff Wilkes made a motion to approve the agenda as read. Alphonso Giles seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimously.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Co-Chairman Uzupan asked if there were any corrections or additions to the January 25, 2010 meeting minutes. There being none, Jasper Lee made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Samuel Golden seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimously.

Members Attending: Mr. Alphonso Giles, Mr. Jasper Lee, Mr. Samuel Golden, Mr. Peter Higgins, Mr. John Battle, Mr. Jeff Wilkes and Mr. Tim Uzupan

Members Absent: Dave Burns

Staff Present: Commissioner Myra Phillips, Commissioner Robert Brantley, Mr. George Shaw, Zoning Administrator and Mrs. Stephanie Johnson, Planning Board Secretary

Persons Attending: Mr. Warren Poythress, Mr. David Gunnels, Mrs. Judy Gunnels, Mr. Mike Wallace, Mr. Jasper Blackburn, Ms. Marsha Lindner, Mr. David Lindner, Mr. Wendall Kessler, Mr. George Padgett, Mr. George Pittman, Mr. Michael J. Brannen, Mr. Steve T. Lingle, Ms. Joanne D. Mueller, Mr. Ted Gleason and Ms. Ann Gleason

VIII. PUBLIC HEARING

Co-Chairman Uzupan stated all items voted on would be presented at the March 16, 2010 Board of Commissioners meeting as a public hearing (with the exception of residential business and pond requests)

David & Judy Gunnels – Public Hearing (1): The applicant request to rezone 2.47 acres **Map # 418C Parcels# 1 & 2** located off of Kolic Helmly Road from **R-1 to B-3 (First District)**

Mr. Warren Poythress addressed the board on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Poythress informed the board of the applicant's request to rezone the property to commercial because of the property location. Mr. Poythress further stated improvements would need to be made at the intersection.

Mr. David Gunnels added he would like to rezone and change the direction of the property lot. Mr. Gunnels stated the calls he received about the property questioned if the property was zoned or could be zoned commercial.

Mr. Mike Wallace approached opposed to the rezoning due to the danger of traffic safety. Mr. Mike Wallace informed the board of the number of deaths which have occurred at the intersection, including his own son.

Mr. Jasper Blackburn approached opposed to the request due to the number of accidents including his own.

Ms. Marsha Lindner expressed concern for traffic issues.

Mr. David Lindner informed the board the property was bought by the Gunnels' for a residential subdivision.

Mr. Craig Mueller shared concern for his horses and traffic safety. Mr. Mueller confirmed being opposed to the rezoning and further stated if approved there not be an ingress/egress from Hwy 30.

Mr. Wendall Kessler expressed concern for the ingress/egress. Mr. Kessler suggested there be a discussion with DOT before a decision is made to rezone the property.

Mr. George Padgett opposed due to additional noise, traffic and garbage.

Mr. Carl Pittman and Mr. Michael J. Brannen opposed the request.

Mr. Steve Lingle expressed concern for his property value and safety.

Ms. Joanne Mueller opposed the request and further stated there are currently 2 convenience stores within a couple of miles.

Mr. Ted Gleason approached opposed and asked if the request is in compliance with the master plan for the south end of the county.

Ms. Ann Gleason shared the number of 18 wheeled vehicles that travel the area.

Samuel Golden made a motion to deny the request. The motion was seconded by Jeff Wilkes. The motion carried unanimously.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

"MINUTES OF THE EFFINGHAM COUNTY PLANNING BOARD – February 22, 2010"

The meeting adjourned at 7:37:25 pm.

CHAIRMAN OF PLANNING BOARD
EFFINGHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA

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PLANNING BOARD SECRETARY

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