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FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC HEARING - MINUTES
January 8, 2024
5:30 PM

Present: Chairman, Jeff Jacques
District 1 Commissioner - Robert Franklin
District 2 Commissioner - Kyle Foster
District 3 Commissioner - Elizabeth Busby
District 4 Commissioner - Josh Smith – Sick - Attending Via Zoom

Media: Shane Scoggins, Franklin County Citizen Leader
MJ Kneiser, WLHR Radio – via Zoom

Staff: Terry Harris, County Manager
Kandy Bond, County Clerk
Jack Samuels, County Attorney
Robert Ogburn, Planning & Zoning/Assistant County Manager
Alexandria Gunter, Planner – Planning & Zoning
Kelsey Hill – Dual Admin – Planning & Zoning/County Manager

Item 1. Call to Order
Chairman Jacques called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.

Item 2. Approval of the Agenda
Chairman Jacques asked the board for a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion to Approve – Commissioner Foster
Motion Seconded – Commissioner Busby
Discussion: None
All in favor vote: motion carried 5-0 (agenda approved)

Item 3. Items for Discussion

A. V-2023-007 Variance: Gary Walker, Applicant and property owner, has filed an application for a Variance to the Unified Development Code, Chapter 1, “General and Legal Status Provisions,” Article 1-1, “General Provisions,” Section 1-109, “One principal dwelling unit on a lot” to replace the previous six mobile homes on lot. The property consists of a +/- 2.53 _acre tract located on Muddy Branch Rd. Canon, GA 30520 (Map/Parcel 054/ 016). **Planning Commission Recommends Denial 3-0**

Questions/Public Comments: Gary Walker – I purchased this property on Muddy Branch Road in 2013, and there were six trailers. I was going to fix up the trailers but they were to run down. So then, I was going to move them and put in new trailers. Once it was cleaned off, I got side tracked with the kids going to college and playing football. I have other rental properties and people are calling me all the time wanting to rent properties. I bought this land to do rental income properties. It's already setup and has septic and water. I was told it was grandfathered in and then when I come back and they said the plans had changed. When I bought it, they said there wouldn't be anymore trailer parks or junk yards in the county but the ones already there would be grandfathered in, that's the only reason I bought it. It's in the center of my property, like I said it has all the septic tanks, water, and a concrete drive. It's not going to be an eyesore it's going to be nice homes. I take pride in all my rental property.

In Favor: None

Opposition: None

- B. RZ-2023-019 Rezone:** Stanton Porter, applicant and Pedro Ramirez-Martinez, Property Owner have filed an application for Rezone from Agricultural General (AG) to Rural Residential (RR) for a +/- 14.15 _acre tract located at 869 Old Stagecoach Rd. Carnesville, GA 30521 (Map/Parcel 028/074A). Proposed use: Major Subdivision **No recommendation: Application withdrawn by applicant**

Questions/Public Comments: N/A - Withdrawn

In Favor:

Opposition:

- C.** Scott Strickland has submitted a Citizen Zoning request to change from Highway Business (HB) to Agricultural Intensive (AI). The property is located at 165 Conger Rd. Carnesville, GA 30521 (Access on Highway 320) on a +/- 19.19 _acre tract (Map/Parcel 028/061 C). **Planning Commission Recommends approval 3-0**

Questions/Public Comments: Robert Ogburn – this is a correction to the original zoning.

In Favor: None

Opposition: None

Item 4. Announcements

None

Item 5. Adjourn

Chairman Jacques asked the board for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn - Commissioner Busby

Motion Seconded – Commissioner Foster

Discussion: None

All in favor vote: 5-0 (approved to adjourn)

Upcoming Meetings

January 30, 2024 – BOC Work Session @ 6:00 PM
February 5, 2024 – BOC Public Hearing @ 5:30 PM
February 5, 2024 – BOC Regular Meeting @ 6:00 PM
February 27, 2024 – BOC Work Session @ 6:00 PM

Signed on the _____ day of _____ 2024

Jeff Jacques, Chairman

Josh Smith, District 4 Commissioner

Robert L. Franklin, District 1 Commissioner

Terry Harris, County Manager

Kyle Foster, District 2 Commissioner

Kandy Bond, County Clerk

Elizabeth Busby, District 3 Commissioner

