

MINUTES

FRANKLIN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

March 12, 2020

6:30 PM

Present: Scott DeLozier, Planning Director
Harold Gillespie
Guerry Hall
Erika Hewatt
Susan Russell
Carolee Coker

Absent:

Staff: Rocky Farrow

Harold Gillespie called the meeting to order

1. Adoption of minutes from the January 9, 2020 & February 13, 2020 meeting.

Harold Gillespie asked for a motion to adopt the minutes from the January 9, 2020 & February 13, 2020 meeting. Susan Russell made a motion and Carolee Coker seconded. A vote was taken by the show of hands. The motion carried by five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes. The YES votes were Harold Gillespie, Erika Hewatt, Susan Russell, Carolee Coker, and Guerry Hall.

2. Update on BOC actions

- a. No Public Hearing Items
- b. Discussion/Introduction of new board members and staff – Carolee Coker & Scott DeLozier
- c. Adopted 2019 Comprehensive Plan – Discussion/No Action
- d. Trends in Zoning/Economic Outlook – Discussion/No Action
- e. 2019 Year in Review – challenges and successes – Discussion/No Action

New Business

1. Greg & Wendy Bentley, 42 Sweet Gum Rd, Carnesville, GA have filed an application for a variance to reduce front and side yard setbacks for replacing/improving residence on a 1.20-acre tract. The property is located at 42 Sweet Gum Rd and is further identified as Tax Parcel 046-028A.

Greg Bentley – spoke in favor of application

Nobody - spoke in opposition

Public hearing was closed

Open to discussion

Erika Hewatt made a motion to approve the request for a variance to reduce front and side yard setbacks on the condition that the approval is not related to the dog breeding operation on the premises. Which was then seconded by Susan Russell. The motion carried by Harold Gillespie, Erika Hewatt, Susan Russell, Carolee Coker, and Guerry Hall five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

2. Aubery Lunsford, 2234 Careytown Rd, Royston, GA has filed an application to rezone from AI Agriculture Intensive to CI Commercial Industrial on a 17.468-acre tract. The property is located on Neal Little Rd and is further identified as Tax Parcel 030-024A.

Aubery Lunsford – spoke in favor of application

Don Manley - spoke regarding questions and concerns

Beth Thomas – spoke regarding questions

Nobody - spoke in opposition

Public hearing was closed

Open to discussion

Guerry Hall made a motion to approve the request which was then seconded by Erika Hewatt. The motion carried by Guerry Hall, Erika Hewatt, and Susan Russell three (3) YES votes. Carolee Coker and Harold Gillespie two (2) NO votes.

3. Update on BOC actions to introduce proposed amendments to zoning regulations.

Scott DeLozier gave an update on BOC actions

Adjourn

Erika Hewatt made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Susan seconded the motion. The motion carried by Harold Gillespie, Erika Hewatt, Susan Russell, Carolee Coker, and Guerry Hall five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO vote.

Meeting was adjourned.

Scott DeLozier

Erika Hewatt

Harold Gillespie

Guerry Hall

Susan Russell

Carolee Coker

Minutes taken by: _____
Rocky Farrow