Minutes

Florence County Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. City-County Complex, Council Chambers, Room 803 180 N. Irby St., Florence, South Carolina 29501

The Florence County Planning Department staff posted the agenda for the meeting on the information boards at the main entrance and the back entrance of the City-County Complex and at the entrance of the Planning and Building Inspection Department building.

The following are summary minutes. The official minutes of this meeting are recorded and can be provided on a CD by request through the Freedom of Information Act.

The agenda was also mailed to the media.

I. Call to Order

Vice-Chairman Garner called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. and declared a quorum of members present.

II. Attendance:

Board Members Present: Bill Garner, Vice-Chairman

James Cooper Gary Dauksch Craig Floyd Daniel Jackson Kenneth McAllister

Toney Moore

Board Members Absent: Mack Gettis

Bryant Hollowell

Staff Present: Jonathan B. Graham, III, Planning Director

Pearlie D. McDaniel, Development and Zoning Services

Officer

Malloy McEachin, County Attorney

Angela C. Thomas, Secretary

Public Attendance: See sign-in sheet on file at the Florence County Planning

Department.

III. Election of Officers:

County Attorney Malloy McEachin administered the nominations and votes for Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

• Chairman

Motion – Mr. Jackson nominated Mr. Garner/Second – Mr. Cooper. No other nominations were made. The vote carried unanimously to appoint Mr. Garner as Chairman.

• Vice-Chairman

Motion – Mr. Garner nominated Mr. Jackson/Second – Mr. McAllister. No other nominations were made. The vote carried unanimously to appoint Mr. Jackson as Vice-Chairman.

Mr. McEachin declared that Mr. Bill Garner has been elected as Chairman and that Mr. Dan Jackson has been elected as Vice-Chairman.

IV. Review and motion of the minutes:

• Meeting of December 6, 2011

Motion – Mr. Dauksch/Second – Mr. Moore/Approved unanimously.

V. Public Hearing:

BZA#2012-01

A variance request by Steven G. Mikell on behalf of Allen F. Abernethy and Ashley H. Abernethy for a decrease in the minimum setback requirements of Section 30-30. Table III - Zoning setbacks of the Florence County Code of Ordinances for property located at 1815 Wax Myrtle Dr., Florence shown on Florence County Tax Map No. 1251, Block 1, Parcel 98.

Mr. Jonathan Graham presented the staff report to the Board. (Copy available at the Florence County Planning Department)

There was brief discussion and questions by the Board.

Chairman Garner asked Mr. Steven Mikell if he would like to speak.

Mr. Steven Mikell, the applicant, came forward and spoke in favor of this request; he provided a statement to the Board with signatures of property owners in the area who do not have any objections to this request.

Chairman Garner asked if there was anyone else that would like to speak in favor of this request.

There was no response.

Chairman Garner asked if there was anyone that would like to speak in opposition to this request.

Mr. Tracy Steverson came forward to speak in opposition to this request.

Chairman Garner asked if there was anyone else that would like to speak.

Mr. Edward Silva came forward to speak in opposition to this request.

Motion – Vice-Chairman Jackson to deny the request/Second – Mr. Moore/Vote was 6 to 1 with Mr. McAllister in opposition to denying the request/Request denied.

VI. Other Business:

• Orientation Training for new members

Mr. Graham stated orientation training for new members is required by law; we propose to provide training once a month; target date is the second Thursday of every month from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at our office; will begin in March and will continue through this year.

• November Meeting Schedule Review

Motion – Mr. Dauksch for November 13th to be the scheduled November meeting date for this year instead of Nov. 6th/Second – Vice-Chairman Jackson/Unanimously approved.

VII. Adjournment

Chairman Garner declared the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,			
Angela C. Thomas			
Secretary			
Approved by:			

Jonathan B. Graham, III, Planning Director

^{*}These minutes reflect only actions taken and do not represent a true verbatim transcript of the meeting.