Minutes
Florence County Planning Commission Meeting
Tuesday, March 27, 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 on the information board in the lobby 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:

Chairman Lane called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.

II. Attendance:

Commissioners Present:  Jody Lane, Chairman
Bill Lockhart, Vice-Chairman
Linda Borgman
Cecil Cunha
Ted Greene
Roger Kirby

Commissioners Absent:  David Hobbs
Doris Lockhart
King Lowery
Virginia Talbert

Staff Present:  Jonathan B. Graham, III, Planning Director
Pearlie D. McDaniel, Development and Zoning Services Officer
Angela C. Thomas, Secretary

Public Attendance:  See sign-in sheet on file with the Florence County Planning Department.
III. Review and Motion of Minutes:

- Meeting of February 28, 2012

Motion – Vice-Chairman Lockhart/Second – Comm. Cunha/Approved unanimously.

IV. Public Hearings

Map Amendment:

PC#2012-01 Map Amendment requested by the City of Johnsonville to change the zoning district designation for properties located on E. & W. Marion St., N. & S. Georgetown Hwy., Stone Ave., N. & S. Hampton Ave., Training Circle, Stadium Rd., Stuckey St., Columbia Ave., E., S. & W. Pine St., N. & S. Railroad Ave., Trailwood St., Florence Ave., E. Broadway St., Possum Fork Rd., Jasmine St., Maple St., Elm St., Huggins Eaddy St., Sawmill Rd., N. Jackson Ave. and N. Butler Ave., Johnsonville shown on Florence County Tax Map No. 433, Block 5, Parcels 1, 12-14, 49, 64, 93, 101, 103, 111, 116, 123, 179, 180, 223, 224, 229, 259, 287; Tax Map No. 440, Block 5, Parcels 25-31, 40, 55, 70-72, 80; Tax Map No. 50002, Block 2, Parcels 7-9; Tax Map No. 50002, Block 3, Parcels 7-10; Tax Map No. 50003, Block 4, Parcels 1-15, 17-28; Tax Map No. 50003, Block 5, Parcels 1-4; Tax Map No. 50003, Block 6, Parcels 1-4, 6-9; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 1, Parcels 1-3, 11-15, 19; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 3, Parcels 4 & 5; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 4, Parcels 1-15, 17-28; Tax Map No. 50003, Block 5, Parcels 1-4; Tax Map No. 50003, Block 6, Parcels 1-4, 6-9; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 1, Parcels 1-3, 11-15, 19; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 3, Parcels 4 & 5; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 4, Parcels 1-15, 17-28; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 5, Parcels 1-8, 10, 11; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 6, Parcels 1-9; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 7, Parcels 1-3; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 8, Parcels 7-9; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 9, Parcels 4, 5, 10, 11; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 10, Parcels 5-8, 10; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 11, Parcels 1, 8, 10-13; Tax Map No. 50006, Block 12, Parcels 4, 5, 9, 11; Tax Map No. 50007, Block 4, Parcels 1-4, 6-9; and Tax Map No. 50007, Block 6, Parcels 2-5, 7 from R-3, Single-Family Residential District to R-3A, Single-Family Residential District.

Mr. Jonathan Graham presented the staff report to the Commission. Staff recommends approval of the request.

(Copy available at the Florence County Planning Department)

Chairman Lane asked for anyone in favor of the request to please come forward.

City Administrator of Johnsonville, Mr. Scott Tanner came forward to speak in favor of this request and on the behalf of several residents of Johnsonville who were present.

Chairman Lane asked if anyone else would like to speak in favor of the request.
Three people from the audience stated they agreed with Mr. Tanner.

Chairman Lane asked if there was anyone that would like to speak against this request.

No one came forward.

Mr. Graham read a letter from Barbara Prosser Powell in opposition to this request.

There was brief discussion and questions by the commission.

Motion – Vice Chairman Lockhart/Second – Comm. Kirby/Vote was 5 to 1 with Comm. Cunha in opposition to approval/Approved.

V. Requests for Plat/Plan Approval:

PC#2012-02 Request for Summary Plat Approval with a waiver of Section 28.6-85 by Christina R. Johnson on behalf of Johnnie Waiters for property located at 510 Keels Rd., Florence shown on Florence County Tax Map No. 275, Block 1, Parcel 49.

Mr. Jonathan Graham presented the staff report to the Commission. Staff recommends denial of the request.
(Copy available at the Florence County Planning Department)

Chairman Lane asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of this request.

Ms. Christina R. Johnson spoke in favor of the request.

There was brief discussion and questions by the commission.

Motion – Vice-Chairman Lockhart/Second – Comm. Greene/Unanimously approved.

PC#2012-03 Request for Summary Plat Approval with a waiver of Section 28.6-85 by Thomasena C. Brown for property located at 802 W. John Paul Jones Rd., Effingham shown on Florence County Tax Map No. 127, Block 1, Parcel 146.

Mr. Jonathan Graham presented the staff report to the Commission. Staff recommends denial of the request.
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Chairman Lane asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of this request.

Ms. Thomasena Brown spoke in favor of the request.

There was brief discussion and questions by the commission.
Motion – Vice-Chairman Lockhart/Second – Comm. Cunha/Unanimously approved.

VI. Other Business:

None

VII. Director’s Report:

Mr. Graham’s comments were as follows:

- **Summary Plats**

- **Building Reports**

As we do every month that we meet, we have provided in your packets the summary plat activity as well as the building activity.

- **Technical Review Committee**

We need to finalize who will be attending the Technical Review Committee meetings.

Chairman Lane and Vice-Chairman Lockhart are already members.

Chairman Lane appointed Comm. Cunha and Comm. Hobbs to serve on this committee as well.

- **Resolution for previous Chairman**

Staff will bring a resolution before the Planning Commission at the April or May meeting; will present the resolution at the June meeting.

VIII. Executive Session:

Chairman Lane called for executive session at this time to discuss meeting procedures.

IX. Adjournment:

Chairman Lane declared the meeting adjourned at 7:39 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.