

The Russell County Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
September 16, 2014  
4:30 P.M. EST.

An adjourned meeting of the Russell County Planning Commission was called to order by Vice Chair David Ellis. Members present were: Wanda Lamb, Dillie Elliott, Ferdinard Crawford, Carla Thomas, Commissioner Martin, Attorney Walter L. Gray III, and Rick Perry, Advisors present were: Health Department Inspector Johnny Burell and County Engineer Larry Kite and Assistant County Engineer Ray Martin. Carla Thomas kept the minutes.

Vice Chair Ellis requested a motion to approve the September 2, 2014 meeting minutes. Wanda Lamb motioned to approve the minutes and was seconded by Commissioner Martin. Six (6) members voted yes for approval and two (2) abstained due to their absence at that meeting.

The Oaths of Office were tabled due to unexpected conflict Judge Alford Harden was unable to be at the meeting.

Riverside Estates Phase 5 – Final Plat was presented by Cam Cameron. These eight lots were not part of the original preliminary plats. Lots are 100 feet wide. Dillie Elliott motioned to approve the plat and was seconded by Ferdinard Crawford. The vote was unanimous.

Minor Plat for Eddie Jackson was presented by George Musselman. Property is landlocked. Ferdinard Crawford motioned to approve the minor plat. Seconded by Carla Thomas. The vote was unanimous.

Vice Chair Ellis discussed the September 8<sup>th</sup> joint meeting with the County Commission and the suggestion of county owned septic tanks. He presented a draft for a letter to the County Commission. Carla Thomas motioned to approve sending another letter discussion option 3; a county owned septic tank, to the County Commission. Seconded by Ferdinard Crawford. The vote was unanimous.

Due to health issues Chair Adams has resigned from the Planning Commission. The floor was opened for nominations for Chair.

David Ellis was nominated for Chair by Ferdinard Crawford. The nominations were closed by Dillie Elliott. The vote was unanimous.

Wanda Lamb nominated Dillie Elliott for Vice Chair. The nominations were closed by Carla Thomas. The vote was unanimous.

The first 8 pages of the Subdivision Regulations were reviewed. There were no errors on the first two pages.

[Page 3](#) - **Development**- the third line has “construction of public roads and public roads”; one of these should be deleted.

**Health Officer** – the Russell County Health Officer and Russell County Sanitation Officer are not the same. Therefore, delete the Russell County Sanitation on that line and line above.

[Page 4](#) – **Sanitation Officer** is listed as Russell County Health Officer which is incorrect and should be deleted as well as search the regulations to see if it is listed in other places.

**Private Road**- a thoroughfare should change to a road

[Page 5](#) - **System** - Russell County Sewer Authority, Water and Sewer Board of Hurtsboro should be added to the list.

[Page 6](#) – second paragraph beginning with “All subdivisions within” should be deleted.

[Section 3.2](#) - **Use of a plat** – Does not comply with the law. A sentence should be added to end of paragraph, with the exception of those presale agreements for subdivision developments as provide in Act 2014-332 and the Code of Alabama Section 11- 24-111.1. After discussion it was decided to do more research.

[Section 3.3](#) - **Acceptance of Roads** – Larry Kite stated that he will bring this up before the County Commission to see if they want to approve acceptance of roads and other improvements of to give him a blanket approval.

[Page 7](#) - Spelling for Preapplication should be Pre-application.

[Page 8](#) – [Section 5.1](#) Delete first part of sentence “Following the Pre-application Review s set forth in Article 4. The sentence should say “The subdivider shall apply for approval of the subdivision according to the following procedures”.

[Section 5.3 Fees](#)- Larry Kite requested taking a couple of weeks to review the current fees and returning with recommendations in order to keep fees current with cost of inspections.

7 copies of the plat should be provided to Planning Commission for review.

Chair Ellis requested a motion to accept changes that were made today. Rick Perry made a motion to accept the changes and was seconded by Dillie Elliott. The vote was unanimous.

Chair Ellis announced the next meeting will be October 7<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned.