

The Russell County Planning Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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, Commissioner Peggy Martin, Gary Head, Carla Thomas, Ferdinard Crawford, Attorney Walter Gray III and Bill Friend. Advisors present were: Assistant Engineer Gary L. Martin, and County Administrator LeAnn Horne, who kept the minutes.

Vice Chair Ellis requested a motion approving the August 5, 2014 meeting minutes. Wanda Lamb motioned to approve the minutes and was seconded by Carla Thomas. 7 members voted yes for approval of the minutes. Gary Head abstained due to his absence at the August 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. The minutes were approved. Vice Chair Ellis also requested that it be noted the August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting was cancelled due to members attending the ACCA conference.

Barrett -Simpson Surveyor, Eddie Eubanks presented the Mill Pond Estates Preliminary Plat. Three lots front on Isbell Road. There is a water line within 1,600 feet, which Russell County Subdivision Regulations state that if a water line is within 1,000 feet it must be tied onto. It is noted that there will be individual wells placed on these lots. Tract A-4, 9.69 acres, which has a lake and can be accessed from Mill Pond Estates, but due to an agreement with Jay Sheppard for this lot will be deeded to the homeowners association for their use. Discussion took place concerning the needed waterline for the plats. The Assistant Engineer Gary Martin stated that the plat meets engineer requirements. Commissioner Martin motioned to approve the preliminary plat with it stated on the deeds and plats that there is no water on the properties. Seconded by Carla Thomas. 5 yes votes Gary Head voted; no, Ferdinard Crawford and Vice Chair Ellis abstained. The motion passed.

Representatives from McBride-McGill were not present to discuss the Corcoran Estate Re-plat of Parcel "C-1", therefore, it was tabled.

Vice Chair Ellis requested to skip the discussion for the Comprehensive Plan, but they did highlight errors in the current plan and updates to be made. Vice Chair requested a motion to send the Updated Comprehensive Plan to the Commission for their review and approval. Attorney Gray motioned to approve and was seconded by Bill Friend. The vote was unanimous.

Vice Chair Ellis discussed the Subdivision Rules and Regulations recommended reviewing a minimum of 8 pages at the end of each meeting to familiarize the board and to voice opinions of the regulations. He suggested that even if there are not agenda items to schedule a meeting to discuss the subdivision regulations. Ferdinard Crawford motioned to break down the regulations for an update and to do a minimum of 8 pages per meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Martin. The vote was unanimous.

Vice Chair Ellis read a letter written by Chair R.C. Adams. He was unclear if Chair Adams was stepping down from being Chair or if he was resigning from the Planning Commission. He will contact Chair Adams to clarify before action is taken.

A reminder was given about the joint meeting between the Planning Commission and the Commission concerning sewer in the county. The meeting will be September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

Surveyor Nathan McBride presented The Corcoran Estates Replat of Parcel "C-1", located on Hwy 165. The lot is less than an acre. Gary Head motioned to approve the replat and was seconded by Ferdinard Crawford. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned.