

The Russell County Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2012
4:30 P.M.

An adjourned meeting of the Russell Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman R.C. Adams. Members present were Peggy Martin, Carla Thomas, Dillie Elliott, Ferdinand Crawford, Bill Friend, Jimmie Batcheldor, Attorney Walter Gray, Rick Perry, Dr. Shelton and David Ellis. County Administrator LeAnn Horne kept the minutes. Advisors present were Johnny Burrell; RC Health Department, Ben Elliott, Brandon Bundy, Russell County Building Inspector Greg Smith and Russell County Water Manager Kevin Dabbs,.

Chairman Adams called for a motion to approve December 12, 2011 meeting minutes.

David Ellis motioned to approve. Rick Perry seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Chairman Adams called for a motion to approve January 17, 2012 meeting minutes.

Rick Perry motioned to approve. David Ellis seconded the motion. The motion carried by majority vote. Mr. Crawford abstained due to not being present at the meeting.

Damon Ingram requested approval of a minor subdivision on behalf of Jeff Trimback. The property is located on County Rd. 22. Ben Elliott recommended approval.

Dillie Elliott motioned to approve. Peggy Martin seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Nathan McBride presented a plat on behalf of Ricky Johnson Properties. Mr. McBride stated this is a simple reconfiguration of existing property.

Ben Elliott stated there are no problems and recommended approval.

Dr. Shelton motioned to approve. Peggy Martin seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Bill Barrett addressed the commission concerning The Estates at Westgate, requesting an easement approval for access to landlocked property. The current landowner has accessed the property for years without restrictions. Mr. Barrett stated the land is currently under development so this is an effort to avoid future problems. The developers of Westgate are proposing revision of the plat to leave a 30 ft. easement for access to Mr. McCullough's property for logging purposes.

Chairman Adams called for a recommendation from Ben Elliott. Brandon Bundy stated the Engineering Department has no recommendation for ingress/egress at this time due to ongoing litigation.

After a brief discussion, Chairman Adams called for a motion.

David Ellis motioned to approve the request. Rick Perry seconded the motion. The motion carried by majority vote. Walter Gray and Mr. Crawford abstained.

A request for information of Planning Commission Bi-laws was made by several members. LeAnn Horne stated she will research the issue and bring back a report at the next meeting.

Next meeting will be March 6, 2012. Meeting adjourned.