

MACON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

November 16th, 2004

A meeting of the Macon County Planning Board was held on November 16th, 2004 at the Macon County Environmental Resource Center. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm.

CALL TO ORDER:

Planning Board members present were Ronnie Beale, Lamar Sprinkle, Larry Stenger, Susan Ervin, Alan Marsh, Evelyn Southard, Mike Decker, and County Planning Director Stacy Guffey. Commissioner Jay Dee Shepherd was also in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mike Decker noted that he was in attendance at the Nov. 9th meeting. Alan Marsh made the motion to adopt the minutes from the November 9th meeting as amended. Evelyn Southard seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC SESSION:

During public session, no one chose to speak.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Beale welcomed Commissioner Shepherd to the meeting. Commissioner Shepherd told the board that he was there to listen and that the work on land use issues was the most important thing for the future of the county.

The board discussed board membership. It was noted that the Commissioners will make appointments at their regular Dec. meeting. Larry Stenger recommended Mark West as a board member.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Guffey presented the new language under the specific high impact uses to the board. There was much discussion on separation and setbacks. After a lengthy discussion the board agreed that they preferred setbacks to separation so as to put the burden of separating high impact uses from protected uses on the developer of the high impact use. Guffey noted that separation is a standard requirement in most ordinances of this type and that it's the only sure way to protect residential areas from high impact uses. Chairman Beale said the board would discuss it further at the next meeting.

The board set the next two meetings for Nov. 30th and Dec. 14th.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Stacy J. Guffey, Clerk/Secretary

Ronnie Beale, Chairman