Cherokee County Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing Minutes Thursday, April 3, 2014 6:30 p.m.

The Cherokee County Zoning Board of Appeals held its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, April 3, 2014 in Cherokee Hall of the Cherokee County Administration Building. In attendance for the Zoning Board of Appeals were Chairman Elizabeth Semler, Roy Taylor, Bill Dewrell, Cynthia Castello and Melissa Range. In attendance for Cherokee County Staff were Vicki Taylor Lee, Zoning Administrator, Tamala Davis, Planning Technician and Paul Frickey, County Attorney.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Case #14-04-008V Rev. Mark Outlaw requesting a variance to Article 11, Table 11.1; Signage. The applicant is requesting a variance to allow an increase in the square footage of copy area from 32 square feet to 50 square feet. The property is located at Orange Church Circle and Cumming Highway in Land Lot 910, 911 and 962 of the 3rd District and further described as Cherokee County Tax Map 03N23A, Parcel 058.

Ms. Lee presented the case. Ms Lee discussed staff comments, location of property, gave adjacent zoning and noted she received no letter in support of or in opposition to the requested variance. Ms. Lee stated she has no objection to the sign however would like to see a more neutral color at the top of the proposed sign.

Mr. Mark Outlaw represented this case. He stated he has no additional facts to add. Mr. Outlaw stated the church cannot be seen from the road and would like to have this sign for identification purposes.

Mr. Taylor asked where the sign would be located. Mr. Outlaw stated the sign would be located approximately 40 to 50 feet east of where Orange Church Circle meets Cumming Highway and out of the right of way.

Ms. Lee stated we will send Engineering Department out to verify sight distance.

Ms. Semler asked about the concerns of the color of the top area. Mr. Outlaw stated he would go with what the Board suggests. Ms. Lee stated a sand or buff color would work better than white.

Ms. Semler asked if there was anyone to speak in favor of or in opposition of the application. There being none, she closed public comment.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the application with the condition that the upper portion of the sign be a neutral color. Seconded by Mr. Dewrell. Unanimous approval.

The Board postponed the discussion of proposed code revisions until next month.

Ms. Semler made motion for approval of March 6, 2014 Minutes. Seconded by Ms. Castello. Unanimous approval.

Ms. Semler made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Ms. Range. Unanimous approval.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.