Cherokee County Planning Commission Public Hearing Minutes Tuesday, May 3, 2011

The Cherokee County Planning Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting on May 3, 2011 in Cherokee Hall at the Cherokee County Administration Building. In attendance for the Planning Commission were Chairman Bob Whitaker, Vice Chairman Tom Hill, members Scott Barnes, Betty Callahan, Thais Escondo, Garland Stewart, Elizabeth Semler, Charles Kirby and Rick Whiteside. In attendance for Cherokee County Staff were Vicki Taylor Lee, Zoning Administrator and Kathy Dunn, Administrative Assistant.

Chairman Bob Whitaker called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Case #11-04-006: Woodrow Wilson McClure, Jr. - requesting to rezone property from R-40 to GC. If rezoned, the property will be utilized as commercial property. The property owned by Mr. McClure, is just north of the intersection of Waleska Road and Hospital Road in Land Lot 169 of the 14th District, 2nd Section of Cherokee County, Georgia and indicated as Parcels 057B and 057E on Tax Map 91N28. A total of 0.34 acres is sought to be rezoned.

Vicki Taylor Lee presented the case.

Woody McClure represented the case stating that this particular piece of land is very small and all they intend doing there is having a small car lot. Thais Escondo asked Mr. McClure if that was the only thing they intended selling there and he stated either a small car lot or produce sales. Rick Whiteside asked about paving and Mr. McClure said they have no intention of paving the spot. Mr. Whiteside then asked about access to 140 and if April Street would be used. Mr. McClure stated they might use April Street for parking but reiterated there would be no paving or any structures. Betty Callahan asked about ingress and egress and whether or not GDOT would have to be involved. Mr. McClure stated this would be such a small business there would be no need to have any kind of ingress or egress. Thais Escondo then asked about the City of Canton Overlay requirements and Bob Whitaker interjected for Mr. McClure's benefit, that this area would probably be annexed into the City of Canton further down the road. Mr. McClure stated that they would adhere to any requirements the City has. Tom Hill asked if this location/business would be manned and Mr. McClure stated that it would probably be the owner of the car which was for sale or by whoever had a produce truck. Scott Barnes asked about a structure again and Mr. McClure stated that there would be no structure, therefore no plumbing facilities or other accommodations would be on the property.

Bob Whitaker then asked if there was anyone else to speak in favor and the co-owner, Mrs. Helen McClure spoke. She gave a brief synopsis of the area and her history and stated she just wanted to make enough money to pay the taxes on the property.

Bob asked if there was anyone there in opposition and there was none.

At this time the meeting was closed to public comment.

A brief discussion was held by the Board members and Charles Kirby made a motion to approve with conditions that the City of Canton Overlay requirements be met. Scott Barnes seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Other items, the March minutes were reviewed and only one issue was cited to be edited. Minutes were approved subject to that correction being made. April minutes were reviewed with Betty Callahan making a motion to approve and Rick Whiteside seconding. Vote was approved by all.

There are no cases for June so there will not be a Work Session in May.

Betty Callahan made a motion to adjourn with Charles Kirby seconding. Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.