

CHEROKEE COUNTY MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION WORK SESSION MINUTES

March 21, 2016 6:30 p.m. | Business Center **Approved 4-5-2016**

Chairman Bob Whitaker began the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Those present included Members Ken Smith, Richard Weatherby, Bill Dewrell, Jerald Hill, Thais Escondo, Scott Barnes, Tom Ware, and Rick Whiteside, Zoning Administrator Vicki Taylor Lee, and Principal Planner Margaret Stallings.

1. Case No. 16-03-009 Quinton and Sandra Vaughn

Ms. Taylor Lee reported to the Commission that, as previously communicated by email, there had been an error in procedure at the March 1, 2016 Public Hearing regarding this case. At that meeting two motions were made, seconded and voted upon, but none carried. A third motion was offered but did not receive a second. At that time Mr. Whitaker stated that the case would go to the Board of Commissioners without a recommendation. However, according to Article 18 of the Zoning Ordinance if a decision is not reached, the matter continues to be tabled for consideration until a vote carries. Then if the Cherokee County Municipal Planning Commission fails to recommend action on the application within sixty-five (65) days and the applicant does not agree to a waiver of this time limit, the applicant may take it to the Board of Commissioners without a Cherokee County Municipal Planning Commission recommendation. Therefore, instead of proceeding on to the BOC, the case was tabled.

A motion was made to bring the case off the table by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Hill. The motion passed 8-1 with Ms. Escondo abstaining.

After further discussion of the case, Mr. Dewrell made a motion to recommend approval of the petition for rezoning with a second by Mr. Hill. The motion failed by a vote of 4-4-1 with Ms. Escondo abstaining.

Mr. Whitaker called for another vote on the motion and the motion to approve failed by a 3-5-1 vote with Ms. Escondo abstaining.

The recommendation to the Board of Commissioners will be for a denial of the petition.

2. New Cases

Ms. Taylor Lee introduced the each of the six April cases. Cases 16-04-010, -011, -012, -013 and -014 are scheduled to be heard at the April 5, 2016 Public Hearing, however, the applicant for Case No.16-04-015 had asked for a postponement in order to add another parcel to the petition. Each case was reviewed and discussed.

3. Revision to Highway 92 Village Overlay Text

Ms. Stallings introduced the proposed changes and the reasoning for the proposed changes. General discussion and questions ensued. The public hearing on the proposed changes will also be April 5, 2016.

4. Other Business

Mr. Ware asked that the vote count be added to the case summaries reported to the Board of Commissioners.

5. Adjourn

There being no further business Chairman Whitaker adjourned the Work Session at 7:30 pm.