



MEETING MINUTES- DRAFT
LAURENS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
August 20, 2019
Hillcrest Square Administration Building
5:30 P.M.

Commissioners: Sylvester Grant, Robert Brewington, Posey Copeland, Danny Horne, Ed Burns, Jim Royer, Oscar Tribble (absent)

Item #1: Call to Order- Planning Commission member Tribble was absent.

Item #4 Approval of Agenda: Commissioner Horne made a motion to approve the agenda Commissioner Copeland seconded the motion and the motion passed 6-0.

Item #7a: LaReus RV Park Expansion Approval

Rusty Todd requested expansion approval for his new RV Park on parcel 501-00-00-005 for an additional 21 sites (14 already approved) for a total of 35 sites. He stated that the cost to develop the park will be more cost effective if he does all of the work at once.

Commissioners asked numerous questions about the proposal. Commissioner Copeland made a motion to approve this request, Commissioner Burns seconded the motion. Commissioner Royer then made an amendment to the motion that the landscape layout and park rules that were presented to the PC would be a requirement for this approval. That amendment was seconded by Commissioner Grant and passed 6-0. A vote was then held on the original motion and it passed 6-0.

Item #7b: Jefferson Junk Yard Variance Request

Mr. Jefferson appealed to the PC for a variance to the junk yard ordinance for a proposed indoor recycling facility at 106 Lucas Avenue in LaReus. He stated that he will be leasing the property from the owner. PC Commissioner Royer explained that he visited the site and that it would not meet the requirements of the junk yard ordinance. He stated the location is a challenge with a small lot and its close proximity to a residence. Chairman Brewington stated that he once owned the adjacent residence and he knows the property well and this proposed use would not fit on this property.

David Bates who owns the property said this use would improve the property. Betty Thompson from the neighborhood pleaded with the PC to not approve this and stated the neighborhood does not support this project.

Commissioner Royer made a motion to deny the variance request. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Grant and passed 6-0.

Item #7c: RV Park Ordinance

The Commissioner had a thorough discussion on the first draft update to the RV park ordinance. Revisions will be taken back to the PC at the next PC meeting.

Item #10 Adjournment: With no further business Commissioner Royer and made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Burns and passed 6-0.