

The regular meeting of the Beaufort County Planning Commission (hereinafter "Commission") was held on Wednesday, October 9, 2002, in the County Council Chambers of the Beaufort County Administration Building at 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, South Carolina.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Jim Hicks, Chair

Mr. Jerome Goode

Mr. Matthew Margotta

Mr. John Abney

Ms. Margie Jenkins

Mr. Mike Zara

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Ben Johnson, III, Vice Chair

Mr. Thomas Mike, Sr.

Ms. Joy Guyer

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: None

STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Anthony J. Criscitiello, Planning Director

Ms. Barbara Ann C. Childs, Administrative Assistant to the Planning Director

Ms. Joan Petrucci, Tax Increment Finance Planner

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Hicks called the meeting to order at approximately 6:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Hicks led those assembled in the pledge of allegiance.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: The minutes of the September 11, 2002, Commission meeting were reviewed. No corrections were noted. **MOTION: Mr. Zara made a motion, and Mr. Margotta seconded, to accept as written the minutes of the September 11, 2002, meeting. The motion was carried (FOR: Abney, Goode, Jenkins, Margotta, Mike and Zara).**

Note: Mr. Goode entered at 6:04 p.m.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Mr. Criscitiello and Chairman Hicks indicated a second meeting with the Towns of Hilton Head and Bluffton.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None was received.

**COMMUNITY FACILITIES ELEMENT OF THE BEAUFORT COUNTY
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

Ms. Joan Petrucci, TIF Planner, briefed the Commissioners on the changes made to the document since her last presentation at the September 11, 2002, Commission meeting.

Public Comment: Mr. Dean Moss of the Beaufort-Jasper Water-Sewer Authority/BJWSA asked for minor corrections to be addressed on wastewater management: 1- Page 2, Item 11.2.1, change “regional” to “subregional”; 2- Page 4, Action 1.5, delete “municipalities” and add the specific name of the fund instead; and 3- Page 7, Item 11.3.1, last sentence to read “All public water supplies, except for those on Hilton Head Island, come from”

Discussion included clarification on the Moss Creek system that is owned by the homeowners association, the differing hours of operation and siting strategies for public libraries and schools, adding a recommendation to include public libraries in school construction plans for optimal use of public funds, the County opening a dialog with the School District, the funding for a Regional Training Center for firefighters, requiring 8-inch potable water pipes for fire protection purposes, alternative fire protection systems such as dry hydrant systems and tankards, future BJWSA plans for Northern Beaufort County, the need to provide potable water to Davis Elementary School, DHEC requirements for new subdivisions dependent on septic tanks, closer coordination between BJWSA and the County Planning staff, the 208 Management Plan of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendment of 1992 used by Lowcountry Council of Governments/LCOG as an implementation tool of our Comprehensive Plan, a definition of dry sewers, the School Board’s dominion over their construction program regardless of County recommendations, the need for County Council to assign the responsibility of implementing the cultural facilities section of this element to specific County personnel, and clarification that Mr. Moss’ recommendations would be incorporated into the element review without being included in the motion.

MOTION: Mr. Zara made a motion, and Mr. Abney seconded, to add Action Item 22.8, “The County and the Board of Education will consider a joint collaborative effort to plan all future public library sites in future school sites.” Discussion included clarification of the motion. **The motion was carried unanimously (FOR: Abney, Goode, Jenkins, Margotta and Zara).**

Chairman Hicks asked for clarification on Page 6, Action 5.4. Mr. Criscitiello suggested getting the new Department of Health and Environmental Controls/DHEC policies and staff could make an administrative correction of the wording.

Chairman Hicks noted that a resolution would not be needed to forward this element review to County Council.

MOTION: Mr. Zara made a motion, and Ms. Jenkins seconded, to recommend approval of the Cultural Facilities element review of the Beaufort County Comprehensive Plan, as amended with the addition of Action Item 22.8. No further discussion occurred. **The motion was carried unanimously (FOR: Abney, Goode, Jenkins, Margotta and Zara).**

Chairman Hicks thanked Ms. Petrucci for her work on this element review.

OTHER BUSINESS: None were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT: Ms. Jenkins made a motion, and Mr. Margotta seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was passed unanimously (FOR: Abney, Goode, Jenkins, Margotta and Zara. Chairman Hicks adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:01 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY: _____
Barbara Ann C. Childs, Admin. Assistant to Planning Director

Jim Hicks, Chairman, Beaufort County Planning Commission

APPROVED: **November 13, 2002**