BEAUFORT COUNTY RURAL AND CRITICAL LAND PRESERVATION BOARD

The Beaufort County Rural and Critical Land Preservation Board (hereafter known as the Board) was held on June 13, 2013, at the Beaufort Jasper Water and Sewer Authority Conference Room at 3:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Ed Pappas (Chairman)Mr. Jim LivingstonMs. Janice JohnsonMr. Jacob PrestonMr. George JohnstonMs. Norma Stewart

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Selena Brown (Vice-Chairman)

Mr. Steve Riley

Mr. Bob Bender

Mr. Joseph Vercellotti

Mr. York Glover

STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Tony Criscitiello, Planning Director

Ms. Amanda Flake, Natural Resources Planner

Ms. Patty Kennedy, Beaufort County Open Land Trust

GUESTS PRESENT:

Mr. Paul Sommerville, County Council Chairman

Ms. Cynthia Bensch, County Councilman

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ed Pappas called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

REVIEW OF AGENDA

Chairman Pappas asked if there were any changes to the Agenda and there was one. Patty Kennedy, with Beaufort County Open Land Trust, will give an overview of the Beaufort County Rural and Critical Land Preservation Program for the new board members.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Chairman Pappas asked if there were any changes to the Minutes from the April 11, 2013 Board meeting. Hearing none, Ms. Stewart made a motion and Mr. Johnston seconded the motion to accept the Minutes from the April 11, 2013 Board meeting. **The motion was carried unanimously to accept the minutes from the April 11, 2013, Board meeting** (FOR: Pappas, Johnston, Livingston, Preston, and Stewart).

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GENERAL DISCUSSION

Ms. Patty Kennedy gave an overview of the Beaufort County Rural and Critical Land Preservation Program for the new board members. She then led a discussion on how the program will move forward from here. She stated that during the economy boom the program was a growth management tool. Then during the economy bust the program capitalized on buying opportunities for high priority areas. Now it is time to redefine the priorities of the program and figure out where the focus of the program will be for the future. Discussions on this issue will continue during the next board meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Pappas entertained a motion by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Livingston, to adjourn the Open Session at 3:34 p.m. and convened Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters associated with property acquisitions. **The motion was carried unanimously to enter into Executive Session** (FOR: Pappas, Johnson, Johnston, Livingston, Preston, and Stewart).

Chairman Pappas adjourned Executive Session and convened Open Session at 4:31 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Chairman Pappas entertained a motion at 4:32 p.m. from Mr. Preston, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to adjourn the meeting. **The motion was approved unanimously** (FOR: Pappas, Johnston, Livingston, Preston, and Stewart).

| Submitted by: | Amanda Flake, Natural Resources Planner |
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| Approved: | |
| | Ed Pappas, Chairman, |
| | Beaufort County Rural and Critical Land Preservation Board |
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