



McDuffie County Planning Commission

Tuesday, October 3, 2023 Minutes

210 Railroad Street
Thomson, Georgia 30824

Board Members Present: Commissioner Paul Coughlan, Chairman
Commissioner Bill Hopkins
Commissioner Bud Lunceford
Commissioner Georgia Hobbs
Commissioner Penny Lowe
Commissioner Bobby Toulson

County Representatives Present: David Crawley, County Manager
Carrie Edwards, County Clerk
Jason Smith, Community Development Director

Visitors Present: See sign-in sheet in file.

Call to Order Paul Coughlan

Invocation and Pledge Bill Hopkins

Determination of Quorum: 6 of 6 in attendance

Approval of Minutes September 5, 2023

Information & Announcements | None

Appointment/Reappointment | None

Old Business: None

New Business:

- 1) **Consideration to approve the rezoning of property at 5538 Lincolnton Highway (Parcel 00360003), from residential use to commercial use.**

Chairman Coughlan opened the floor to Mr. Gant to provide information regarding plans for the Lincolnton Highway property with additional variance to studio apartment.

Chairman Coughlan opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Lowe made a motion to Deny. Commissioner Lunceford seconded the motion. The vote carried and was Denied 5-1, with Commissioner Hopkins voting against motion.

- 2) **Consideration to approve a variance of the distance requirements within O.C.G.A. § 16-12-215 to allow Barney's Pharmacy to dispense medical cannabis less than 1,000 feet from a church, 1682 Washington Road, Parcel Number OT080071)**

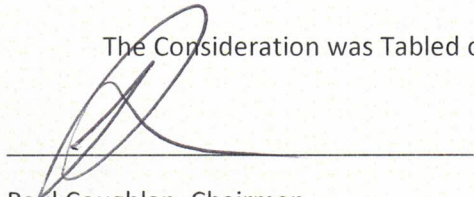
Chairman Coughlan opened the floor to the owners of Barney's to provide information regarding the dispense of medical cannabis.

Chairman Coughlan opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Lunceford made a motion to Approve. Commissioner Toulson seconded the motion. The vote carried and was Approved 5-1, with Commissioner Lowe voting to against motion.

- 3) 1. Consideration to approve a variance of the setback requirements for home at 168 Branan Street.
2. Consideration to approve a special exception use for a daycare at 166 Honey Hole Road.

The Consideration was Tabled owner could attend

Carrie R Edwards

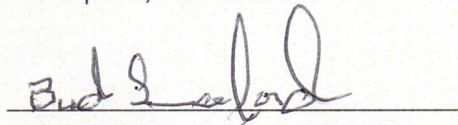


Paul Coughlan, Chairman

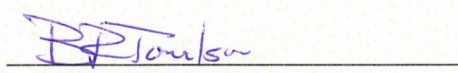
Carrie R Edwards, County Clerk



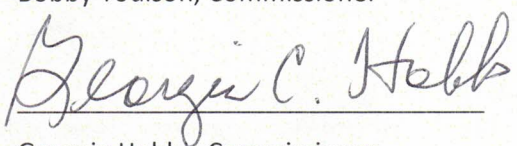
Bill Hopkins, Vice Chairman



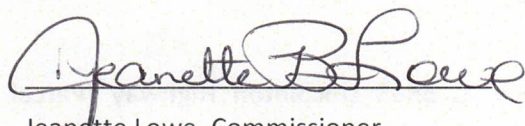
Bud Lunceford, Commissioner



Bobby Toulson, Commissioner



Georgia Hobbs, Commissioner



Jeanette Lowe, Commissioner