

## MINUTES FOR THE FRANKLIN COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

October 13, 2009

The Franklin County Planning Board held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 13, 2009 at the Franklin County Administration Building, Commissioners Meeting Room, 113 Market Street, Louisburg, North Carolina.

**Present:** Henry Nelms, Willie Bartholomew, Ronnie Pearce, Robert Mann, William Wallace, Mary Solomon, Richard Hoyle, Mark McArn and Ricky May.  
**Absent:** Fannie Brown, Phillip Jeffreys, Robert VanGraffeland and Melvin Cheaves.  
**Staff:** Tammy Davis, Scott Hammerbacher and Jason Rogers.

Chairman Henry Nelms called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.; and welcomed everyone in attendance. William Wallace gave the invocation. Richard Hoyle made a motion, seconded by Mary Solomon to approve with minutes from the September 8, 2009 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

### Agenda Items:

#### #1. Map Amendment: Wake County & Franklin County, Multiple Properties

Scott Hammerbacher stated the last formal survey of the Wake/Franklin County line incorporated trees, stones and fence posts, many of which have long since disappeared. He stated there has been a variety of issues relative to growth and development along the county line and this has prompted both counties to locate the county line. He stated Wake and Franklin Counties are locating the 25-mile-long county line based on a survey recently conducted by the North Carolina Geodetic Survey, which is in accordance with North Carolina General Statutes. He stated within Franklin County's zoning jurisdiction, 117 properties would be affected by the proposed rezoning. He stated the majority of affected properties would only have a small portion re-zoned due to revisions to the location of the County line based upon the Geodetic Survey. He stated the majority of the properties would be rezoned to R-40 which is consistent with their existing zoning. He stated the remaining properties would be rezoned to either HB (Highway Business) or R-30 (Residential) which is consistent with adjacent zoning designations.

Ronnie Pearce questioned who was involved with this map amendment. Mr. Hammerbacher stated the County Manager, GIS, Tax and Planning were involved. He stated Wake and Franklin Counties are all in agreement with the proposed. He stated after reviewing the laws, any property that the line straddles will receive two tax bills (one from each county). Mr. Pearce questioned if the property owners were notified. Mr. Hammerbacher stated letters were sent out weeks ago with maps. Willie Bartholomew questioned if evaluations will happen at the same time. Mr. Hammerbacher stated Wake County's last tax revaluation was done in 2007 and Franklin County's was done in 2004. He stated Franklin County tax rate is \$0.20 more but Wake County has a higher tax value.

Mary Solomon questioned if the proposed would have an effect on schools. Mr. Hammerbacher stated the amendment would take effect on January 1, 2010 but students affected by this would be allowed to finish this school year. He stated school districts would be decided in Spring 2010 regarding any students affected by this amendment. Mr. Pearce questioned how the problem came about. Mr. Hammerbacher stated it happened as a result of property lines dispute in Richland Hills Subdivision.

Willie Bartholomew made a motion, seconded by Robert Mann to approve the map amendment. The motion passed unanimously.

With there being no further business before the Planning Board, Chairman Nelms adjourned the meeting at 7:30 P.M.

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Henry Nelms - Chairman  
Franklin County Planning Board

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Tammy Davis - Clerk  
Franklin County Planning Board