

MINUTES
TELLICO PLAINS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, April 11, 2016

Members Present

Mitch Millsaps, Chair
Mike Atkins, Secretary
Chad Johnson

Members Absent

Patrick Hawkins, Mayor
Larry Harris, Alderman

Others Present

Ruth Viergutz Hawk, Staff
Greg Altum, Press

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Millsaps called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Commissioner Atkins moved to approve the February 8, 2016, minutes as submitted. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

REQUEST OF RIGHT-OF-WAY ABANDONMENT OF UNICOI LANE BETWEEN SWAINSON STREET AND HIGHWAY 68, ADJACENT TO 305 UNICOI LANE, TAX ID 146H D 001.00, APPROXIMATELY 160 FEET IN LENGTH

Staff presented the request. Unicoi Church Lane and Unicoi Lane were connected prior to the construction of new Highway 68. When Highway 68 was built, Unicoi Church Lane was stubbed into Highway 68 and Unicoi Lane was dead-ended at Swainson Street. The approximately 160 feet of remaining length of old Unicoi Lane has been used as the driveway for the parcel located on the southeast side the right-of-way (Tax ID 146H D 001.00). A creek/drainage way lies between this portion of right-of-way and the neighboring northwestern parcel of Tax ID 146H B 004.01. This has made the 160 foot of Unicoi Lane right-of-way functioning as a part of the southeastern parcel (Tax ID 146H D 001.00). A general discussion followed.

Commissioner Atkins moved to recommend that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen relinquish the approximately 160 feet of Unicoi Lane right-of-way located between Parcels 004.01 and 001.00 to Parcel 001.00 (Tax ID 146H D 001.00) with the stipulation to maintain an easement for the existing utilities. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF BY-LAWS OF THE TELLICO PLAINS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Staff distributed and reviewed the proposed by-laws. Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the By-Laws of the Tellico Plains Regional Planning Commission. Commissioner Atkins seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

DISCUSSION OF TELLICO PLAINS SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS AND REQUIRED PLAT CERTIFICATIONS

Staff presented the proposed certifications for existing electricity, private streets, street names, existing septic systems, reserve septic areas for lots with existing septic systems, and existing water and sewer lines. Staff has talked with the utility providers about the wording of the certifications. A general discussion followed. By consensus the commission agreed a public hearing on amending the *Tellico Plains Subdivision Regulations* to incorporate these new certifications be held at the regular June planning commission meeting.

REPORT ON MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT REVIEW/APPROVAL

None

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES/OPTIONS

There will also be a one-day conference on April 28, 2016, sponsored by East Tennessee Quality Growth at the Alcoa Airport Hilton Hotel, entitled “Connecting Competitive Communities.” Staff will email the commissioners an article from the *Maryville Daily Times* about the conference and the East Tennessee Quality Growth April Newsletter about the conference.

OTHER BUSINESS

The commission discussed the development status of the Mennonite community on Fairview Road.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Secretary

Date