

The Wauchula Planning and Zoning Board met on Monday, February 20, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

The following members were present: Chairwoman Donna Steffens, Gerald Waldron, Wayne Johnson and Ray Graham.

Vice-Chairman Garry Phillips was absent.

Also present were Community Development Coordinator Kyle Long and Deputy City Clerk Victoria Thompson.

Chairwoman Steffens called the meeting to order

Elect Chair

Graham motioned to re-elect Steffens as Chair, seconded by Waldron.

With no other nominations announced, Deputy Clerk Thompson polled the Board.

All were in favor; motion carried.

Elect Vice-Chair

Waldron motioned to re-elect Phillips as Vice-Chair, seconded by Johnson.

With no other nominations announced, Deputy Clerk Thompson polled the Board

All were in favor; motion carried.

Approval of Minutes – January 16, 2017

Johnson motioned to approve the minutes of January 16, 2017 as presented, seconded by Graham.

Deputy Clerk Thompson polled the Board, all were in favor. Motion carried.

Mural Permit Request / Hardee County Library:

Todd Miller, AICP, Planning & Development Director for Hardee County, presented the request to have a mural painted on the exterior of the Hardee County Library. Dee Shackelford, the Hardee County Library Services Manager, and artist, Meagan Albritton, were also present and answered questions posed by the Board.

Waldron motioned to approve the Mural Permit Request, seconded by Steffens.

With no discussion, Deputy Clerk Thompson polled the Board

All were in favor; motion carried.

Recommendation for Floodplain Ordinance 2017-05:

Jennifer Codo-Salisbury, MPA, AICP, of Central Florida Regional Planning Council reviewed the background of the Ordinance and the amendments required to update it.

Johnson motioned to recommend approval with changes of Ordinance 2017-05 to the City Commission to adopt the updated FIRM maps and update the City's floodplain management regulations to ensure they are fully consistent with the National Flood Insurance Program requirements, seconded by Graham.

With no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Thompson polled the Board

All were in favor; motion carried.

The Board thanked Ms. Codo-Salisbury for her time. She advised it was no problem and she really enjoyed the drive into Wauchula; the improvements along Highway 17 and Main Street are quite beautiful.

Special Exception Request / Sabas Candelario – 602 N 7th Avenue:

Mr. Long presented Mr. Candelario's request for a Special Exception to rebuild his house in a Commercially Zoned area of north 7th Avenue. He reviewed the history of the property and Mr. Candelario's past requests; which were always approved. Graham motioned to approve the Special Exception Request, seconded by Johnson. With no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Thompson polled the Board All were in favor; motion carried.

Old/New Business

There was no other business to discuss.

Public Comment

There was no public to comment.

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Steffens adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Chairwoman Donna Steffens

Deputy Clerk Victoria Thompson