The Wauchula Planning and Zoning Board met for its regular on Monday, August 17, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

The following members were present: Vice-Chairwoman Donna Steffens, Chairman Garry Phillips, Gerald Waldron, Wayne Johnson and Ray Graham.

Also present were Community Development Coordinator Kyle Long and City Clerk Holly Smith.

Chairman Phillips called the meeting to order

Approval of Minutes – July 20, 2020

Graham motioned to approve the minutes from March 16, 2020 as presented, seconded by Johnson. With no further discussion, Smith polled the Board; all were in favor. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2020-07 – Text Amendment Adding Urban Agriculture and Hydroponics to the Unified Land Development Code

Marisa Barmby – Central Florida Regional Planning Council

Barmby explained the minor changes made to the text amendment. The proposed amendment include: Adding urban agriculture to the Table of Land Uses in Section 2.02.01(A) in Article 2, Adding Section 2.03.12 to the Urban Agriculture and Adding related definitions to Article 9. Graham asked questions regarding Hydroponic Garden Facility and farm animals. Long stated the language for Hydroponic Garden Facility does not mention farm animals therefore they are not allowed. Steffens asked if they could grow medical marijuana there. Barmby replied no medical marijuana was regulated through the State as to their locations and this facility was not for that type of use.

Phillips announced the Public Hearing and opened discussion to the public. There were no comments from the public.

Graham motioned to recommend approval of Ordinance 2002-07 with proposed changes with removing the screening from Ag and FR unless certain buffering was needed, seconded by Steffens. With no further discussion, Smith polled the Board; all were in favor. Motion carried.

Old/New Business

There was no old business.

Public Comment

There was no Public present to comment.

Chairman Phillips adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Chairman Gary Phillips

City Clerk Holly Smith