

Perry Planning Commission  
Minutes – March 14, 2016

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Martin Beeland called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

**ROLL:** Chairman Beeland; Commissioners Jefferson, Clarington, Mehserle, and Yasin were present. Commissioners Poole and Williams were absent.

**STAFF:** Christine Sewell – Recording Clerk and Daniel Bass – Building Inspector

**GUESTS:** Marty Myers and Lamar & Mary Hart.

**INVOCATION:** was given by Commissioner Yasin.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 22, 2016 MEETING :** Commissioner Clarington motioned to approve the minutes as submitted; Commissioner Yasin seconded; all in favor and was unanimously approved.

\*Commissioner Jefferson arrived at 6:08pm.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Campaign Notice, per O.C.G.A. 36-67A-3

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**PUBLIC HEARING** (Planning Commission Decision)

1). #V-16-02 – 113 Sutton Drive

Ms. Sewell read the applicants' request which was for a variance to PLDO Section 77 and 91 of the setback requirements between buildings, along with staff responses. Chairman Beeland opened the public hearing at 6:11pm and called for anyone in favor of the request. The applicant Mr. Brantley reiterated the request and advised it was for a 10 x 12 accessory building. Chairman Beeland then called for anyone opposed; there being none the hearing was closed at 6:15pm. Commissioner Mehserle had some general questions in regards to the required setbacks and easement; Mr. Bass answered accordingly.

Commissioner Yasin motioned to approve the variance request as submitted; Commissioner Clarington seconded; all in favor and was unanimously approved.

2). #V-16-03 – 1705 Houston Lake Road

Ms. Sewell read the applicants' request which was for a variance to allow construction of a free standing sign with an electronic reader board in a residential zoning district, along with staff responses. Chairman Beeland

opened the public hearing at 6:16pm. The applicant Mr. Marty Myers advised the request for a new sign was to better promote the Perry Country Club. Mr. Myers consulted UGA's Small Business Center and one of the recommendations made was signage and a former business he owned had recently closed and he has available the LED sign and his request is so that he can make people aware of its' location and keep it a viable business for the community. Mr. Myers also advised he is open to suggestions/recommendations for any type of sign.

Chairman Beeland called for anyone opposed. Mrs. Mary Hart a resident at 1721 Milton Way was concerned with the increased traffic in the area that the new sign may bring as the neighborhood has people that like to get out and walk, as well as a number of children. Ms. Hart also felt it would be a distraction to passing drivers trying to read the messages and could potentially cause accidents. Mrs. Hart also provided for the record a letter of objection from Mr. & Mrs. Charles Walsh of 1007 N. Davis Drive. Mr. Myers requested of the Commission if the matter could be tabled so that he could speak with the neighbors and address their concerns and come back with a possible alternate design. Commissioner Yasin motioned to table the request until the April 11<sup>th</sup> meeting; Commissioner Jefferson seconded; all in favor and was unanimously approved.

3). Plat approval – Blackhawk Reserve Phase No. 1 Section No. 3 @ Grand Reserve

Ms. Sewell advised staff had reviewed and recommended approval. Commissioner Mehserle recommended approval of the plat as submitted; Commissioner Jefferson seconded; all in favor and was unanimously approved.

**INFORMATIONAL HEARING** (Planning Commission recommendations to City Council)

**OTHER MATTERS:** Ms. Sewell provided an update for the department.

**ADJOURN** : there being no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned at 6:44pm.