

October 9, 2014
Statesboro, GA

Regular Meeting

The Planning and Zoning Commission met at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex. The following members were present: Jeanne Anne Marsh, Yolanda Tremble, Schubert Lane, Derek Duke, Gary Edwards, Charles Chandler and Thomas Moore. The following staff members were present: Zoning Administrator Randy Newman, County Manager Tom Couch, and Developmental Services Director Andy Welch. Mrs. Marsh welcomed guests and called the meeting to order. Mr. Chandler gave the invocation.

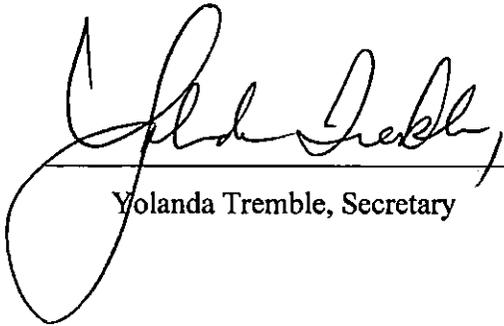
Mrs. Marsh stated the first item of business was for approval of the minutes from the September 11, 2014 meeting. Mr. Lane offered a motion to approve the September 11, 2014 minutes as presented. Mr. Duke seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with Mr. Moore, Mr. Chandler, Mr. Duke, Mr. Edwards, Mrs. Tremble and Mr. Lane voting in favor of the motion.

Mrs. Marsh stated the first item on the agenda was for an application submitted by Franziska Haskell requesting two variances. The first is a variance to the set-back for a kennel (commercial) to be 0 feet instead of the required 200 feet from all property lines. The second is for the height of a fence in the front yard to be 6 feet instead of the required 4 feet. The property consists of 1.07 acres and is located on Bowen Rushing Road, Map/Parcel #065 000007A 000. There were two people signed up to speak on the request (See Exhibit #PZ2014-080) Ms. Haskell stated that she started her dog sitting business in July of 2007. She also stated that she keeps a clean area for dogs and they stay inside most of the time. She also said she can have up to a maximum of 12 dogs and she does not take in stray animals. Ms. Williams stated that she works for Ms. Haskell and makes sure the area stays clean. Ms. Brock stated that she has been a customer of Ms. Haskell's since she opened for business and that the facility is always clean and that each dog has its own stall. Mr. Newman submitted an email he received from Jan Bowen and Roger Glenn Eason (See Exhibit #PZ2014-081). They live across the street and are in favor of the request. Mr. Newman submitted an email he received from Ann Lupton (See Exhibit #PZ2014-082) Ms. Lupton was in opposition to the request and stated she lives ½ mile away. Mr. Lane asked what size dogs she keeps. Ms. Haskell said it varies and that most of the dogs are "inside" dogs and are small. Mr. Edwards said that the 6 foot fence was needed to keep the dogs from jumping over the fence. Hearing

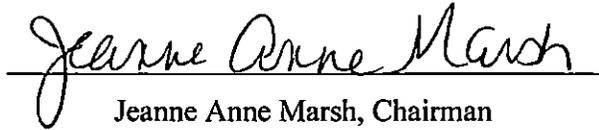
no further discussion, Mr. Lane offered a motion to approve both variances. Mr. Edwards seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with Mr. Moore, Mr. Chandler, Mr. Duke, Mr. Edwards, Mrs. Tremble, and Mr. Lane voting in favor of the motion.

Mrs. Marsh stated that the second item on the agenda was for an application submitted by Paul Bradley for a sketch plan to divide a 1.1 acre parcel into 2 tracts. The property is located at 2205 Tristan Amber Court, Map/ Parcel # 123 000043 003. Marlin Nevil acted as agent. Mr. Nevil stated that the home and shop were built before the subdivision was developed and he wants to turn the existing shop into another residence. Mr. Lane asked where an 18 wheeler was on the property. Mrs. Bradley said it was there to hold everything that is in the shop and it will be removed from the property. There was no one signed up to speak on the request (See Exhibit # PZ2014-083). Hearing no further discussion, Mr. Edwards offered a motion to approve the sketch plan (See Exhibit # PZ2014-084). Mr. Lane seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with Mr. Moore, Mr. Chandler, Mr. Duke, Mr. Edwards, Mrs. Tremble and Mr. Lane voting in favor of the motion.

Mrs. Marsh asked for any further comments from the Commission or Staff. Hearing no further comments, Mr. Chandler offered a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Lane seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with Mr. Moore, Mr. Chandler, Mr. Duke, Mr. Edwards, Mrs. Tremble and Mr. Lane voting in favor of the motion.



Yolanda Tremble, Secretary



Jeanne Anne Marsh, Chairman