

**TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH
PLANNING COMMISSION**

Tuesday, January 26, 2021
2:00 P.M.

Regular Meeting with change in time and location to accommodate the Town Attorney and physical distancing requirements.

In-Person at the Civic Center and Virtual Participation

THESE MINUTES ARE NOT VERBATIM, BUT DO ACCURATELY REFLECT THE PROCEEDINGS.

Members attending in-person: George Kostell, Stephanie Renner, Sue Johnson

Members attending virtual: Everette Smith, Janet Oakley, Bob Sandifer

Members absent: Alex Cone – without prior notice.

Staff attending: Building Code Administrator Patrick Brown, Zoning Inspector Morgan Viars, Town Administrator Iris Hill, Assistant Town Administrator Mark Aakus, Town Attorney Bert Duffie

Chair George Kostell called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. Chair Kostell called the roll. Quorum was noted.

Review of Minutes: November 24, 2020

Stephanie Renner made a motion to accept the minutes from November 24, 2020 as presented. George Kostell seconded the motion, which **passed unanimously**.

Old Business: Sign Ordinance Update

Chair Kostell reflected on the previous Planning Commission meeting that questions were to be submitted to Inspector Viars to compile and forward to the Town Attorney. The questions and general information were answered in Executive Session, which is confidential under Attorney-Client Privilege S.C. Code § 30-4-70(a)(2).

New Business:

1. Election of Officers

George Kostell introduced the agenda item with a request for a nomination of Chairperson. Stephanie Renner nominated Mr. Kostell, Sue Johnson seconded the motion, which **passed unanimously**. The nomination of Alex Cone for Vice Chairperson was presented by Chairperson Kostell with Stephanie Renner seconding, voting **passed unanimously**. Chairperson Kostell requested help with whom to nominate for the Secretary position as Margaret Green retired from the Town. Patrick Brown recommended the vacant position of Permit Technician with the Town. Chairperson Kostell accepted the advice and nominated the Permit Technician as Secretary with Stephanie Renner seconding the motion, which **passed unanimously**.

2. Lot Line Abandonment 3512 Palmetto Blvd., Block AH Lot 6

Chairman Kostell introduced the agenda item and made a motion to approve the lot line abandonment. Sue Johnson seconded the motion. The motion to approve the lot line abandonment **passed unanimously**.

3. Lot Line Adjustment 1701 Palmetto Blvd., 1702 Lybrand St., Block CC Lots 1 and 3

Chairman Kostell introduced the agenda item and asked the representative for the property owner(s) Lee Frank for a brief history of the property. It was explained the lots lost approximately 7.5 feet on one boundary when bicycle paths were added to Lybrand Street, making the lots no longer conforming to the 11,000 square foot minimum and width. The owners also desire to have both lots facing Palmetto Blvd. The requested lot line adjustment would bring one lot to the minimum square footage and both lots into the minimum dimension size. Janet Oakley and made a motion to approve the lot line adjustment. Sue Johnson seconded the motion. The motion to approve the lot line adjustment **passed unanimously**.

Public Comment

No Public Comments were submitted prior to the meeting.

Executive Session

Sue Johnson made a motion to enter executive session with Chairperson Kostell seconding, which **passed unanimously**. Cameras and recording equipment were turned off as executive session is the receipt of **legal advice** where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by attorney-client privilege related to **the proposed revisions to the sign ordinance**. S.C. Code § 30-4-70(a)(2).

Motion to exit executive session was made by Stephanie Renner with Sue Johnson seconding, which **passed unanimously**.

Adjourn

Being no more business to discuss, Bob Sandifer made a motion to adjourn. Sue Johnson seconded the motion, which **passed unanimously**.

The Freedom of Information Act, § 30-4-80(3) was complied with.

APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION


Submitted by Morgan Viars, Acting Planning Commission Secretary