

EEHW COMMITTEE Special MEETING
November 6, 2014
5:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Tim Dudley – Chair
Jerry Potts – Vice Chair
Patty Cox
Kevin Greenfield
Kevin Meachum
Phil Hogan

COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT

Jennifer Hoffman, P&Z Director
Kathy Wade, Health Department
Matt Brown, County Board Member
Kevin Bird, County Board Member

Jeannie Durham, County Board Office

MEMBERS ABSENT

Merv Jacobs

The meeting was called to order by Chair Tim Dudley at the Macon County Office Building.

Kevin Greenfield made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 16, 2014 EEHW committee meeting, seconded by Phil Hogan and the motion carried 6-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Regarding Case No. S-05-09-14 – A Petition for Robert H. & Aissa K. Norris for a Special Use Permit to allow the holding of special events such as educational events, wedding receptions, company picnics and company reunions in A-1 Agricultural Zoning

Jennifer Hoffman explained that this property is commonly known as 990 S. Meridian Avenue in Harristown Township. The County Board voted to send this petition back to the ZBA for further discussion. On October 27, 2014, the public ZBA hearing was held and the ZBA voted 5-0 for approval of the petition with the stipulations as listed in the resolution. The only ones that changed are #12 & #13.

#12 – The special use permit shall be for the 2 year period beginning Nov 13, 2014 and ending Nov 10, 2016.

#13 – The special use permit holders are required to apply for a renewal of the special use permit on or before Nov 13, 2015. Upon a timely application being made, the ZBA shall hear evidence and testimony regarding compliance with the terms of this special use permit and shall also consider all other relevant matters related to the issuance of the special use permit and shall recommend to the County Board whether the renewal shall be granted or denied.

Kevin Greenfield made a motion to forward to the full board with recommendation for approval, seconded by Jerry Potts.

Kevin Greenfield asked about the allowance of Port-a-pots. He asked if he, as an individual, rented the Norris farm, could he supply them himself. Kathy Wade replied that that question was brought up by their licensed septic contractor and Kathy said she brought it up to Chad Mormon

with IDPH and the answer was no because they are a permanent business and they have to provide some type of restrooms. Mr. Greenfield questioned further that if it was just for his one night function, could they be allowed. Kathy said Chad Mormon with the State said no, that would not be allowed. Kevin asked about other places such as civic clubs, the Pumpkin Patch and celebrations, etc... Kathy said that those events are not held in permanent structures. She said she had brought that up to Chad Mormon because their septic contractor had brought it up to her trying to find ways to assist them without having to do their new septic system. She said that all she can report is what the State told her and that is that it will not be allowed and when you start comparing things like the Pumpkin Patch, there could be different zoning and different views on it as to whether its agricultural or not.

Kevin Meachum said the parking area was a concern to him as far as parking on the grass. He said he was hoping that maybe next year, when they reapply for the following year that they might address some of the parking concerns with an aggregate driveway and parking area to assist them with their future expansion of their business. He said he would like to see that so they will have ample parking. Chair Dudley said he appreciated it, but it was addressed in the zoning meeting and approved by the zoning board. He said it was all taken under consideration and is in the minutes of the zoning board meeting if he would want to review those minutes. Mr. Meachum said he'd like an answer. Are they going to do it or not? Chair Dudley said they were not required to and informed Mr. Meachum that it was not up to him to direct them on their parking lot.

The motion carried 5-1 with Kevin Meachum voting no.

Citizen's Remarks

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

Closed Session

None needed

ADJOURNMENT

Kevin Greenfield made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jerry Potts, the motion carried 6-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jeannie Durham
Macon County Board Office