

The Town of Summerville Planning Commission Meeting  
Minutes  
August 21, 2023

This meeting of the Town of Summerville Planning Commission was held in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Council Chambers and was attended by Commission Members, Jim Reaves, Chairman; Charlie Stoudenmire; Betty Profit; and Elaine Segelken. Kevin Carroll; Tom Hart; and Jim Bailey were unable to attend. Staff in attendance included Jessi Shuler, Director of Planning. The public was invited to attend in person, or they viewed the meeting via live-stream.

Jim Reaves, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 4:06 PM.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The Chairman asked if there were any edits or additions to the minutes from the meeting on July 17, 2023. Hearing none the minutes were approved as submitted.

**Public Hearings:**

The first public hearing opened at 4:07 PM and was for the request by the Town of Summerville to annex TMS# 152-00-00-269, located along the Sawmill Branch Canal behind 118 Sellars Cir., and totaling approximately 1.8 acres. Currently zoned TRM, in Dorchester County and will be zoned PL, Public Lands, upon annexation into the Town of Summerville's municipal limits. (Council District 5) Mr. Reaves introduced the item. Hearing no public comment, the public hearing was closed at 4:07 PM.

**Old Business**

There were no items under Old Business.

**New Business:**

The first item under New Business was New Street Names. Ms. Shuler stated that they did not have any street names for review.

The second item under New Business was the request by the Town of Summerville to annex TMS# 152-00-00-269, located along the Sawmill Branch Canal behind 118 Sellars Cir., and totaling approximately 1.8 acres. Currently zoned TRM, in Dorchester County and will be zoned PL, Public Lands, upon annexation into the Town of Summerville's municipal limits. (Council District 5) Ms. Shuler displayed the map exhibit and briefly explained that this property was along the Sawmill Branch Canal and was donated to the Town. The Parks and Rec Department has no immediate plans for the property, but it could be used for amenities for the trail in the future. Mr. Reaves noted that the only access to the property was via the Sawmill Branch Canal trail, and Ms. Shuler confirmed that. Ms. Segelken asked if the Berlin G. Myers Parkway extension would affect this area, and Ms. Shuler stated that it would not. Ms. Segelken made a motion to recommend approval of the annexation and zoning to Council, and Mr. Stoudenmire made the second. Ms. Segelken asked about the current zoning in the county, and Ms. Shuler explained that the TRM zoning was a transitional residential zoning that allowed one unit per acre. Hearing no further discussion, Mr. Reaves called for the question and the motion passed unanimously.

**Miscellaneous:**

There were no items under Miscellaneous.

**Adjourn**

With no further business for the Commission, Ms. Segelken made a motion to adjourn with Mr. Stoudenmire making the second. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 4:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Jessi BA Shuler*

Jessi Shuler  
Director of Planning

Date: 9/18/23

Approved: *J. Reaves*  
Jim Reaves, Chairman or Jim Bailey, Vice Chairman