

**MEETING SUMMARY**  
HENDERSON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD  
June 21, 2012

Planning Board Members Present:

Tommy Laughter, Vice Chair  
Stacy Rhodes  
Marilyn Gordon  
Rick Livingston  
Mike Cooper  
Steve Dozier  
Wayne Garren

Planning Board Members Not Present:

Jonathan Parce, Chair  
Lee Roy Nicholson  
Commissioner Bill O'Connor

Staff Present:

Anthony Starr, AICP, Planning Director  
Todd Taylor, Permit Specialist  
Christina Walsh, Planning Intern  
Sarah Zambon, Deputy County Attorney

Others Present:

David Weintraub, Executive Director, ECO

Meeting called to order: Vice Chairman Laughter called the meeting to order and Roll Call was stated. There were no adjustments to the agenda.

Appointment of Todd Taylor as Planning Board Secretary: Vice Chairman Laughter called upon the Board to appoint Todd Taylor to be the new Planning Board Secretary. Steve Dozier made the Motion and Mike Cooper seconded it. All board members were in favor of the motion.

April Meeting Summary: Vice Chairman, Laughter brought this up and Mr. Starr stated that there was no action needed. He told the Board that if any mistakes were seen to bring them to our attention. He also stated that these were not formal meeting minutes since formal meeting minutes are now recorded and typed minutes are put on the just for public use on the website. The April Meeting Minutes are available for public viewing on the sites agenda page.

Overview of Land Development Code Regulation Changes - Mr. Starr began the discussion on the Land Development Code Amendments. He stated that annual updates were a necessity in order not to have to revise entire code when parts of it become outdated. He also stated that the goal of these amendments were to make the county more business friendly while keeping county safe and meeting long and short range planning goals. Mr. Starr reviewed the various changes to the LDC. The amendments are as follows: eliminate soil erosion sketch plan/permit, reduce the multi-family minimum parking requirement, reduce industrial minimum parking requirement, reduce accessory structures property setbacks, modify CCP amendment process, modify quasi-judicial hearing procedures, and reducing curve radii for roads. These amendments will be brought back as a formal amendment that will be voted on in the July or August meeting.

Staff Reports:

Mr. Starr informed the Board that the NCDOT is proposing a diverging diamond intersection design for the NC 280 and I-26 interchange. He showed the board an informational video called the "Diverging Diamond Interchange" emphasizing the advantages for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicycles in using this type of interchange design. The Board members then discussed this system as well as other new transportation systems, designs, and alternatives being built and planned for current and future use within the county. Mr. Starr also stated that progress has been made regarding the Green River Tuxedo Zirconia community plan currently being worked on by staff members including new planning Intern, Christina Walsh.

Adjournment- There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45p.m.