

**HENDERSON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD  
MEETING SUMMARY  
July 20, 2023, at 5:30 PM**

**Planning Board Members Present:**

Steve Dozier, Chair  
Jim Miller, Vice Chair  
Robert Griffin  
Jared Ownbey  
Trey Ford  
Linda Bradley  
Bruce Hatfield  
Hunter Marks  
Rick Livingston

**Planning Board Members Not Present:**

Bill Lapsley, BOC Liaison

**Staff Present:**

Autumn Radcliff, Planning Director  
Russ Burrell, County Attorney

**Meeting called to order:** Mr. Steve Dozier called the meeting to order.

**Roll Call:** Roll Call was taken.

**Informal Public Comment:** None.

**Adjustment of Agenda:** No Adjustments were made.

**June 15, 2023, Meeting Summary:** No change to the meeting summary was noted.

**Continued Discussion on 2045 Comprehensive Plan Goals:** Mr. Steve Dozier stated that the Planning Board tabled this discussion last month to allow the board members the opportunity to review the Chairman's comments on the red-line edits made by the BOC. The Chair noted that the Planning Board is strictly an advisory board. Mr. Jim Miller stated that the Planning Board took several meetings and provided the BOC with a recommendation on the draft plan. He stated that he had concerns forwarding additional comments to the BOC since this had not been directed by the BOC, and the Planning Board had not been tasked with reviewing the BOC's edits. Mr. Rick Livingston stated that he agreed the Planning Board was an advisory board only and would like some direction from the BOC. The Board had a thoughtful discussion, and all agreed that the BOC should be consulted before the Planning Board proceeds with any further action.

Mr. Bruce Hatfield made a motion to table its discussion. Mr. Jared Ownbey seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Mr. Jim Miller made a motion for the Chair to send a letter to the BOC and request formal direction. Mr. Trey Ford seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**Updates:** Staff stated that next month the Board would be reviewing the subdivision master plan for the Etowah Residential Subdivision on a portion of the Etowah Golf course. Due to the large crowd anticipated, staff is requesting to move the meeting location to Blue Ridge Community College (BRCC). The Thomas Auditorium is available on August 24<sup>th</sup>. The Board was in favor of moving the meeting to BRCC on August 24<sup>th</sup> and requested to start the meeting at 4:00 pm. The Board also discussed the review process and agreed to limit the public comment to 3 minutes or

less depending on the number of speakers. The Board also agreed to limit the amount of time allotted for public input due to the number of speakers and require that speakers be signed up to speak by 4:05. The Board asked staff to communicate this as well on the agenda and website.

**Adjournment:** With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 pm.