

Morgan County Planning Commission

Minutes
Work Session Meeting
January 19, 2018
8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Brian Lehman, Scott Campbell, Denny Myers, John McMahon
NOT PRESENT: Maryann Dartnell, Clint Milford, Tara Dillard, Joe Cardwell, Connie Booth,
ALSO PRESENT: Tara Cooner, Chuck Jarrell

PUBLIC HEARING

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

There is no administrative business

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There is no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS:

- I. William Killmer, on behalf of The Georgia Zoo, LLC, is requesting a Zoning Map Amendment, from I-2 (Light Industrial/Manufacturing – City of Madison) to I-2 (Heavy Commercial – Morgan County) for 92.410 acres located on Monticello Highway (portion of 037D-014Z).
- II. William Killmer, on behalf of The Georgia Zoo, LLC, is requesting a Zoning Map Amendment, from I-2 (Heavy Industrial) to AG (Agricultural) for 92.410 acres located on Monticello Highway (portion of 037D-014Z).
- III. William Killmer, on behalf of The Georgia Zoo, LLC, is requesting conditional use approval to add 92.410 acres located on Monticello Highway to an already approved conditional use for a zoo facility (portion of Tax Parcel 037D-014Z).

Mr. Jarrell presented an overview of the staff reports and discussed the three applications together, as all are related to the proposed de-annexation of 92 acres from the City of Madison and addition of the property to the existing zoo facility on Monticello Highway. He explained that the first application is governed by HB 489, which requires annexed property to be rezoned to the closest compatible zoning designation in the accepting municipality. Staff stressed that the BOC could not act upon the Planning Commission's recommendation until a resolution had been signed by the City. The Planning Commission asked about surrounding land owners, recent annexations by the City, and whether the City had reservations regarding the removal of the property from city limits.