

**MINUTES
CITY OF SUWNEE, GEORGIA
ZONING APPEALS BOARD MEETING
APRIL 15, 2008**

PLANNING AND ZONING APPEALS BOARD MEMBERS: Present: Herb Godfrey, Winship Rees and Bill Thee. Staff members present: Josh Campbell, Wes Rogers and MaryAnn Jackson. Absent: Paula Hill and Tucker Balch.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairperson Winship Rees called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Bill Thee moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Herb Godfrey. Motion carried 3-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 18, 2008

Herb Godfrey moved to approve the March 18, 2008 minutes with modifications, second by Bill Thee. Motion carried 3-0.

PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC MEETING

Winship Rees read the procedures for public meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

V-2008-005 – Applicant/Owner: John and Nina Shih. Requests a landscape variance from Article XVII of the Suwanee Zoning Ordinance to allow for relief from tree maintenance requirements. Site is located in Land Lot 237 of the 7th District along Peachtree Industrial Boulevard north of Eva Kennedy Road and totals approximately 0.72 acres.

Wes Rogers explained V-2008-005 was postponed last month in order to give the applicant time to consult an arborist. The arborist concluded that the trees are hazardous and recommended removal. The applicant has hired a landscape architect to prepare a tree replacement plan. The plan will be submitted to the City of Suwanee once it is completed.

Josh Campbell stated if the plan meets all of the requirements there will not be a need for a variance. If the plan does not meet the requirements it will need to come before the board again. The applicant will need to meet the 4.9 tree density units.

Winship Rees called upon the applicant.

John and Nina Shih, 960 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard, Suwanee, GA. Ms. Shih stated the landscape architect was not able to prepare the landscape plan in time for the meeting. She should have the plan in a few days. Dr. Shih stated he would like for his property to look professional.

Herb Godfrey moved to postpone V-2008-005 until the next regularly scheduled meeting

where there is new business, second by Bill Thee. Motion carried 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS - None

OTHER BUSINESS

ANNOUNCEMENT

Stage 5 of the Tour de Georgia will be starting in Suwanee at Town Center Park on April 25th.

Josh Campbell has been promoted to Planning and Community Development Director.

ADJOURNMENT

Bill Thee moved to adjourn at 6:40 pm.