

White County Planning Commission  
Public Hearing Minutes  
July 29, 2019  
1239 Helen Hwy, Cleveland, Ga. 30528

Those present were Larry Freeman, Charlie Thomas, Donna K. Burke, Linda Dixon, John Yarbrough and R. K. Ackerman

Staff: John Sell and Harry Barton

- I. Call to Order: Chairman Thomas called meeting to order.
- II. Review of Agenda: Chairman Thomas asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Chairman Thomas said there were no changes to the agenda. Chairman Thomas opened the public hearing.
- III. Public Hearing /Land Use Change/Planning Commission Recommendation
  - a. **Application of Michelle and Gary Fuchs** to request a conditional use permit at 57 Miway Lane, Sautee Georgia 30571. Tax map and parcel 068-082. Total acres 2.0. Proposed use is to place in “Short Term Rental” program.  
Present use is R-1 Residential, Single-Family District.  
  
Harry Barton gave a summary of the application. Harry Barton said that this application is to request a conditional use permit for short term rental in the R-1 district. Harry Barton said that this application meets the requirements for short term rental.  
  
Ms. Cyndi Fargo, 114 Miway Lane, Sautee Ga. 30571, was present to represent the land owner. Ms. Fargo said that this property has been on short term rental for three years, has come off of it and switched companies. Ms. Fargo said that the land owners are up from time-to-time to stay and want to rent it out again.  
  
Chairman Thomas asked if they will be using a rental agency ?

Ms. Fargo said yes.

Chairman Thomas asked if the company pays the hotel motel tax and gets the business licenses.

Mr. Fargo said yes.

Ms. Burke asked how many houses are on the road

Ms. Fargo said four.

Chairman asked if anyone else has any comments? Hearing none, Chairman Thomas closed the hearing.

- b. **Application of Cyndi Fargo** to request a conditional use permit at 2183 Chimney Mtn. Road, Sautee Georgia 30571. Tax map and parcel 068-035. Total acres 3.38. Proposed use is to place in "Short Term Rental" program.

Present use is R-1 Residential, Single-Family District.

Harry Barton gave a summary of the application. Harry Barton said that this application is to request a conditional use permit for short term rental in the R-1 district. Harry Barton said that this application meets the requirements for short term rental.

The land owner, Ms. Cyndy Fargo of 2183 Chimney Mtn. Road, Sautee Ga. 30571 was present. Ms. Fargo said that this property was on short term rental and it is on full-time rental now. Ms. Fargo said the she plans to turn this over to a rental agency.

Ms. Burke asked if the home next door is on short term rental?

Ms. Fargo said yes.

Chairman asked if anyone else has any comments? Hearing none, Chairman Thomas closed the hearing.

- c. **Application of Cyndi Fargo** to request a conditional use permit at 114 Miway Lane, Sautee Georgia 30571. Tax map and parcel 068-084. Total acres 7.92. Proposed use is to place in "Short Term Rental" program.

Present use is R-1 Residential, Single-Family District.

Harry Barton gave a summary of the application. Harry Barton said that this application is to request a conditional use permit for short term rental in the R-1 district. Harry Barton said that this application meets the requirements for short term rental.

The land owner, Ms. Cyndi Fargo of 114 Miway Lane, Sautee Ga. 30571, was present. Ms. Fargo said that they have been working on this property for a long time. Ms. Fargo said that she really needed the income from this property. Ms. Fargo said that they bought this property with the intentions to retire here someday.

Ms. Burke asked if this property was on a rental program before?

Ms. Fargo said that she did not know.

Chairman asked if anyone else has any comments? Hearing none, Chairman Thomas closed the hearing.

- e. **Application of Kelly and Avery Clark** to request redistricting from R-1 Residential, Single-Family to A-1 Agriculture Forestry and a conditional use permit at 618 Joe Black Road, Sautee Georgia 30571. Tax map and parcel 045B-016. Total acres 10.92. Proposed use is to place in A-1 Agriculture Forestry District and "Short term rental program".

Present use is R-1 Residential, Single-Family District.

Harry Barton gave a summary of the application. Harry Barton said that this application is to request land use change from R-1 district to A-1 district and request a conditional use permit for short term rental. Harry Barton said that total acres is 10.92. Harry Barton said that the recent change in the land use code requires 10 acres to be in the A-1 district. Harry Barton said that this application meets the requirements for the short term rental.

Mr. Fred Person was present to represent the land owner. Mr. Person said that he is Ms. Clark's father and they are purchasing the property next door to their home and use it for agriculture. Mr. Person said that they will be using it for family to come up and for short term rental. Mr. Person said that they will be farming part of the property.

Chairman asked if anyone else has any comments? Hearing none, Chairman Thomas closed the hearing.

- f. **Application of Joan Englert** to request a conditional use permit at 28 Persimmon Dr., Sautee Georgia 30571. Tax map and parcel 068-046. Total acres 1.10. Proposed use is to place in “Short Term Rental” program.  
Present use is R-1 Residential, Single-Family District.

Harry Barton gave a summary of the application.. Harry Barton said that this application is to request a conditional use permit for short term rental in the R-1 district. Harry Barton said that this application meets the requirements for short term rental.

The property owner, Ms. Joan Englert of 28 Persimmon Dr., Sautee Georgia 30571, was present. Ms. Englert said that this is where she would like to be. Ms. Englert said short term for now and long term later, because they live in Florida. Ms. Englert said that there are total of four houses on the street.

Harry Barton said that this property is in a subdivision.

Mr. John Sell said that Ms. Englert has signed approval from three of the four land owner in the subdivision.

Chairman asked Ms. Englert if she is currently renting this house?

Ms. Englert said no, but it was a rental before for long term.

Chairman asked if anyone else has any comments? Hearing none, Chairman Thomas closed the hearing.

- g. **Application of Steve Milhollin** to request a conditional use permit at 2241 Lothridge Road, Cleveland Georgia 30528. Tax map and parcel 077-027. Total acres 1.0. Proposed use is to place in “Short Term Rental” program.  
Present use is R-1 Residential, Single-Family District.

Harry Barton gave a summary of the application. Harry Barton said that this application is to request a conditional use permit for short term rental in the R-1 district. Harry Barton said that this application meets the requirements for short term rental.

The property owner, Mr. Steve Milhollin of 2241 Lothridge Road, Cleveland Georgia 30528, was present. Mr. Milhollin said that they plan to do some work on the house and try it as a short term rental. Mr. Milhollin said that he plans on taking care of the rent himself, and take it slow and easy.

Chairman Thomas asked if they understand the permit they will have to have?

Mr. Milhollin said yes.

Chairman Thomas asked if the property is in a subdivision.

Mr. Milhollin said no.

Chairman asked if anyone else has any comments? Hearing none, Chairman Thomas closed the hearing.

- h. Application of Teresa Leahy** to request a conditional use permit at 69 Greystone Drive, Cleveland Georgia 30528. Tax map and parcel 074-090. Total acres 1.90. Proposed use is to place in "Short Term Rental" program.

Present use is R-1 Residential, Single-Family District.

Harry Barton gave a summary of the application. Harry Barton said that this application is to request a conditional use permit for short term rental in the R-1 district. Harry Barton said that this application meets the requirements for short term rental.

The property owner, Ms. Teresa Leahy of 69 Greystone Drive, Cleveland Georgia 30528, was present. Ms. Leahy said that they purchased the property in 1998 and moved their business up here and have always been in the hospitality business. Ms. Leahy said that they have had guests stay at their home for years. Ms. Leahy said that they will always be at home when they have guests. Ms. Leahy

said that they have four lots in their subdivision and both of their neighbors are very supportive and we do have letter on file with the Planning Office.

Chairman Thomas asked if they have had some rentals in the past?

Ms. Leahy said not really.

Chairman asked if anyone else has any comments? Hearing none, Chairman Thomas closed the hearing.

IV. Citizens Comments- None

V. Adjournment - Motion made to adjourn by Ms. Dixon, seconded by Mr. Ackerman. Motion was unanimously approved.