

ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY HEARINGS BOARD

**MINUTES
June 10, 2015**

The Athens-Clarke County Hearings Board met and considered the following items at a public meeting at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 10, 2015, at 120 W. Dougherty Street, Athens, Georgia:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ricky Boggs, Myung Cogan, David Ellison (Chair), Beverly King, Pat Shearer, Ed Simpson (Vice-Chair), and Laura Wiese

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Jane Erwin and Sandy Beasley (ACCUG Planning); Jim Davis (ACCUG Attorney)

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. **Introduction of staff reports and all other documents submitted to the Hearings Board at the meeting into the official record.** Mr. Ellison made a motion to introduce all reports and documents into the official record. Ms. King seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
2. **Adoption of minutes from the May 13, 2015 Hearings Board meeting.** Mr. Ellison made a motion to approve. Ms. Wiese seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **397 W. RUTHERFORD STREET VAR-2015-03-513**
Petitioner: David Matheny of Armentrout, Matheny, Thurmond for Chandler Pike
Zoning: RS-15 (Single Family Residential)
Tax ID: 124B2 G006A
Request: A. Variance to increase lot coverage from 40% to 46%

Ms. Erwin gave the staff report with the recommendation to table.

In Favor: None

In Opposition: None

Board Discussion: Ms. Erwin noted that Mr. Matheny requested a table until July 8, 2015. The deadline to be on the agenda for the July meeting is Friday, June 12, 2015. Ms. Erwin has sent a memo to Mr. Matheny to make him aware of the deadline.

Mr. Ellison asked Mr. Davis if he was responsible for the prescriptive easement determination. Mr. Davis said he was not, that this is a private legal matter that needs to be resolved by the applicant. He has verbally advised Mr. Matheny of this.

Mr. Matheny arrived after the vote. Mr. Ellison advised him that the request to table was approved until no later than the August, 2015 Hearings Board meeting. He pointed out to Mr. Matheny that it is his or the applicant's responsibility to look into the prescriptive easement issue.

Motion: Mr. Ellison moved to table this application until no later than the August meeting. Mr. Boggs seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

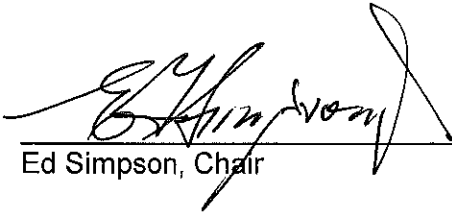
Election of Chair and Vice-Chair: Ms. King nominated Mr. Simpson for Chair. Mr. Ellison seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer nominated Ms. Wiese for Vice-Chair. Ms. Wiese advised that she will be moving out of town and will soon resign from the Hearings Board. The motion died for lack of a second. Ms. King nominated Mr. Boggs for Vice-Chair. Mr. Ellison seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

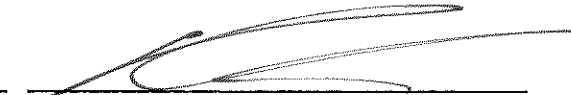
Directors Report: Ms. Erwin advised the Board that there is a moratorium on Rutherford. This does not affect what the Hearings Board does as it relates to demolition and building permits. The moratorium ends in December, 2015.

Ms. King thanked staff for the hard work done for the Board. Ms. Erwin thanked the Board for the time and attention given to the Board. Mr. Ellison thanked the Hearings Board members for serving. He added that the Rutherford moratorium should not affect the Board's decision on the application before them.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.



Ed Simpson, Chair



Brad Griffin, Director/Secretary