

Colleton County Zoning Board of Appeals

Meeting Minutes – November 21, 2022

A regular meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals was held on November 21, 2022, at 6:00 P.M., in the Council Chambers of the Colleton Co. Old Jail Building, 3rd Floor.

Member(s) Present: Chair Douglas Mixson, Jr., Phillip Rizer, Samuel C. Bethay William “Billy” Drawdy and Shane Moody.

Member(s) Absent: None

Staff Present: Joshua T. Rowland, ZBA Secretary and Planning & Development Director
Deidre Bartley, ZBA Secretary and Zoning & Floodplain Administrator

Call to Order: Chairman Douglas Mixson Jr., called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and asked Secretary Rowland if the FOIA requirements have been met, and if a quorum was present. Mr. Rowland affirmed the requirements had been met, and that a quorum was present.

Invocation: Provided by William Drawdy.

Meeting Minutes: Mr. Drawdy motioned to approve the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of September 19, 2022. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moody, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Business Item(s):

Chairman Mixson Jr., addressed item one under Business items, **Case Number, SE-2022-102. Special Exception Request. Applicant seeks approval of a Special Exception to allow for Automotive Services to be allowed on property located in the Rural Development-1 (RD-1) Zoning District, as required by Colleton County Codes Section 14.08-2.050 (B)(3)(a) was presented by Director of Planning and Development Joshua Rowland, with a staff recommendation for Automotive Services.**

Member Rizer asked in regards to the conditions set forth what is defined as long term storage of vehicles. Director Rowland expressed the code does not define this aspect but typically storage is 90 days. Director Rowland expressed that the Board has the ability to set conditions for the amount of time vehicles can be stored on the property.

Chairman Mixson Jr., addressed if any members of the Public would like to address the Board. At this time Chairman Mixson Jr. swore in a member of public Mr. Lee Baughman. Mr. Baughman expressed his concerns were runoff and environmental concerns as this property is adjacent to a creek. He expressed his property surrounds the applicant’s property. Member Rizer asked Mr. Baughman if he has a conservation easement on his property and if they offer any buffers along the creek for their property. Mr. Baughman expressed they do not.

Chairman Mixson Jr., then swore in the applicant Mr. James R. Godley. Mr. Godley expressed what his business operations consist of and how the site will be utilized. Mr. Godley expressed that the 90 days would not be realistic and felt that they would not be located on the property in excess of 6 months. There was further discussion on this matter in regards to timing of vehicles and the processes. Member Drawdy asked the applicant if the majority of these vehicles are wrecked vehicles and what