

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING MADISON COUNTY
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION HELD AND CONDUCTED
ON THURSDAY, THE 14TH DAY OF APRIL, 2011 AT 9:00 A.M. AT THE MADISON
COUNTY COMPLEX BUILDING**

BE IT REMEMBERED that a special meeting of the Madison County Planning and Zoning Commission was duly called, held and conducted on Thursday, the 14th day of April, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the Madison County Complex Building.

Present: Brad Sellers, Zoning Administrator
Will Sligh
William Amadio
Ken Steere
Reverend Henry Brown

Absent: Reverend Bennie Luckett, Chairman

There first came on for consideration the Minutes of the March 10, 2011 in addition to those of the March 25, 2011 specially called meeting. Upon motion by Commissioner Steere, seconded by Commissioner Sligh, with all voting "aye", motion to approve the minutes passed.

There next came on for consideration the petition of Farmhaven Baptist Church for a special exception (conditional use) for a cemetery in an A-1 District. Brad Sellers introduced the petition to the Commission, and Judge Tommy Faulkner appeared on behalf of the Petitioner as trustee and deacon of the Church. Judge Faulkner provided a history of the subject property and its acquisition by the Church. The Petitioner advised that the land, which consists of approximately one acre, was given to the Church by the Poole family years ago. The Church learned that the land was not being used, which prompted the Church to begin the process of utilizing the property in this manner to the benefit of the Church, its members, and the community. He advised that there a need for a cemetery in the area; there is no opposition; it is in close proximity to the Church; and the surrounding property is all agricultural in nature and use. Commissioner Sligh inquired as to whether the Church would generate any burial fees in connection with the cemetery to which the Petitioner stated that no burial fees would be charged. Commissioner Steere next inquired as to whether the cemetery would be limited to Church members only, to which the Petitioner advised that it would open to the Farmhaven community and further that the Church would bear all expenses. Upon motion by Commissioner Sligh, seconded by Commissioner Amadio, with all voting "aye", the petition was recommended for approval to the Board of Supervisors.

There next came on the issue of attorney fees. Upon motion by Commissioner Amadio, seconded by Commissioner Steere, with all voting "aye", motion to approve the attorney fees passed.

There next came on for discussion the date for the May, 2011 meeting. Upon motion by Commissioner Sligh, seconded by Commissioner Steere, the May, 2011 meeting was set for May 19, 2011 at 9 o'clock a.m.

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Date

(Chairman)