

EDUCATION, RECREATION, HEALTH, WELFARE, and PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Trey Whitehurst, Chairman
Tom Ponder
Ensley Feemster

The Committee met on Monday, July 25, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. at the Pickens County Administration Facility, Council Conference Room. Committee Chairman Whitehurst presided with all Committee members in attendance. Councilman Neil Smith was also in attendance.

Staff:

Chris Brink, Planning Director
 Tom Hendricks, Interim Administrator
 Ken Roper, County Attorney
 Crystal A. Alexander, Clerk to Council

Guest:

Carl Hudson

Item	Description	Referred	Report	Previous Action
7	Lake Hartwell regarding rules and regulation as it pertains to lake management and understanding the Corps of Engineers. Retained 2013 Retained 2015 Retained 2016	01/22/2013	07/25/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee recommends drafting a letter to the Governor, the Commanding Officer of the Savannah District US Army Corps of Engineers, Lake Hartwell HOA, and Jeff Duncan in regards to the lake level. Motion was made by Councilman Tom Ponder, seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster and unanimously passed to approve the above recommendation.
9	Complaints with Shooting Ranges (specifically Whitmire Road) First reading 03/02/2015 for an ordinance to make provisions for safe shooting. Retained 2016	01/20/2015 07/18/2016	06/15/2015 07/25/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee recommends for staff to draft an Ordinance based on many discussion items to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Types of ranges – rifle vs. pistol • Distance from dwellings • Noise limits/and noise limits back to the development standards • Use of explosive devices/targets • Fencing and other barriers >Council voted unanimously on 07/18/16 to pull from this Committee the ban on shooting ranges, amend to exclude indoor shooting ranges, and place back into Committee. ▪ Committee recommends to proceed with a second reading of the ordinance to make provisions for safe shooting, as amended to

				<p>remove the statement presented in the UDSO Article 3 draft-Section 305-4-(b) as follows: “All firing positions/shooting stations, firing lines, and target lines shall be located at least one-fourth (1/4) mile, (one thousand three hundred twenty (1,320) feet) from any existing, occupied dwelling.”, and to send back to the Committee. To also refer the proposed ordinance to the Planning Commission with the directive to notice a public hearing for citizen comment and send back to the Committee. Motion above was made by Councilman Tom Ponder, seconded by Vice Chairman Trey Whitehurst and unanimously passed to approve the above recommendation.</p>
10	<p>First reading of an ordinance to create a recreational district for Dacusville/unincorporated areas Reading 4/6/15 Retained 2016</p>	04/06/2015	07/25/2016	<p>▪ Committee recommends to proceed with the second reading* of the ordinance to create recreational districts, as amended to include all six districts and not just Dacusville. Motion above was made by Councilman Tom Ponder, seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster and unanimously passed to approve the above recommendation.</p> <p><i>*Upon research it was determined that the referenced ordinance will require a first reading</i></p>

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Tom Ponder, seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster and unanimously passed. The Committee stood adjourned at 10:07 a.m.