

Chatham County Appearance Commission
January 25, 2017
Meeting Minutes — S. Jacobs, Secretary

In attendance for the meeting were:

William “Bill” Causey, Chair
Shelly Jacobs
Davis Andrews
Dan Sundberg
Saranne Wilson

Commissioner Mike Dasher

1st and only presentation:

Pat Cothren for boat and RV storage facility and landscaping supply contractor’s business, corner of Mt. Gilead Church Rd. and Sugar Lake Rd., Parcel No. 17380

Mr. Cothren was woefully unprepared for the presentation bringing only copies of a rudimentary sketch made over an outdated topography map that did not show accurate depictions of the current grading of the property, nor elevation drawings for the buildings proposed, nor proper siting of the proposed buildings on the property.

The committee unanimously agreed that there was not enough information presented at the meeting to approve the boat/ RV storage facilities.*

The proposed landscape supply business sited at the Southeast corner of the property was then discussed and considered for separate approval from the boat and RV storage business.

The committee agreed that if the proposed area in the Southeast corner of the property was used **only for mulch storage and pick-up, and that there would be no tree or vegetation removal except what was minimally needed to provide for installation of a driveway to the area** then this part ,and this part only, of the project would be granted approval. One more consideration was proposed and agreed upon, which was that seedling Red Cedars would be planted along the root line of existing trees and vegetation on the Mt. Gilead Church side of the property. Thereby assuring that an evergreen buffer would be maintained year round. This stipulation was agreed to by Mr. Cothren. The commission members unanimously agreed to approve only this aspect of the proposed plan for the mulch storage facility.

*Commission members agreed to allow Mr. Cothren to submit proper materials via email to commission members for the boat storage facility in order to get approval without having to wait until next month’s meeting. Members all agreed to consider

approval via email if and when sufficient and satisfactory materials were supplied that properly depicted the proposed storage facilities.

It was agreed that members would communicate, as they are able, via email as materials were submitted and if possible they would decide on the project. It was also indicated that Mr. Cothren might indeed need to come before the committee in person at a future meeting in order to gain approval for his project.