

**Town of Swansboro  
Planning Board  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
December 5, 2023**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm. Board members in attendance were, Christina Ramsey, Ed McHale, Joseph Brown, and Sherrie Hancock. Scott Chadwick, Ed Binanay and Clara Abalos were absent.

**Minutes**

On a motion by Mr. McHale and, seconded by Mr. Brown, the minutes for the July 11, 2023, Special Meeting and the August 1, 2023, Regular Meeting were approved unanimously.

**Business**

***Zoning Map Amendment to Rezone four parcels from R-10SF to RA***

Planner Correll reviewed a request by the Corbett family to down zone their property from R-10SF to RA (Agriculture) to continue the family farm (harvesting pecan trees) which has been the use since the 1930s. The parcels were located on Corbett Rd, and Kathleen Place.

In response to inquiries from the board the following was clarified by Planner Correll:

- There was no plan for subdividing.
- The Land Use Map would not need to be updated.

On a motion by Mrs. Hancock and seconded by Mr. McHale, the Zoning Map Amendment to rezone four parcels from R-10SF to RA was unanimously recommended for approval to the Board of Commissioners.

***Historic District Color Palette Amendment to the UDO***

Project/ Planning Coordinator Brehmer reviewed that during its October 17, 2023, regular meeting, the Swansboro Historic Preservation Commission recommend an amendment to the historic district color palette along with amendment to Section 152.479 subsection 58. A draft ordinance amendment was provided for consideration. During its September 19, 2023, regular meeting, the Swansboro Historic Preservation Commission appointed a subcommittee with two board members, Kim Kingrey and Gregg Casper, to work with staff on amending the Historic District's color palette and the subcommittee met on Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The subcommittee eliminated a few bright and out of character colors from the palette, add a "Approved Primary Color- Business" section, and added a disclaimer to section 152.479 subsection 58 stating that staff has the right to refer to the board for input for any out of character color/ color combination choices to the Historic District.

In response to inquiries from the board the following was clarified by Project/ Planning Coordinator Brehmer:

- There were homes in the historic district with colors that are being removed from the color palette. The homes that have colors that are no longer part of the color palette are considered grandfathered in and will not be affected by the change.

On a motion by Mrs. Ramsey and seconded by Mr. McHale the amendment to the historic district color palette along with an amendment to section 152.479 subsection 58 was unanimously recommended for approval to the Board of Commissioners.

**Staff Comments**

Ms. Brehmer shared with the board that the next meeting fell on January 2, 2024, and inquired if another date was preferred by the board due to the holiday.

All board members agreed to change the next board meeting to January 9, 2024.

**Board Comments**

None

**Adjournment**

On a motion by Mrs. Ramsey, seconded by Mr. Brown, the meeting adjourned at 5:54 pm