

**BLOUNT COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2010**

BZA MEMBERS PRESENT: Harold Brown, Stanley Headrick, Rob Walker, Jim Melton, Joe Everett

The minutes from the previous meeting were read and a motion to amend the written minutes in the motion portion of the Appeal to state "Before voting, Stan Headrick reiterated that he does not have a business relationship with the property owner and will not recuse himself from the vote." The name Harold Brown had previously been used. A motion to approve the amended minutes was made by Jim Melton with a second by Harold Brown. The members voted unanimously to accept the amended minutes from the last meeting.

CASES BEING HEARD AND ACTIONS TAKEN:

1. SPECIAL EXCEPTION: THREE

Special Exception:

1. The Blount Sheriff's office has requested to expand the Blount County Driver Training Facility from a district to a regional training center. The property is located on Honeysuckle Road.

--Rob Goddard, attorney, represented Blount County.

--Tom Mabry, attorney, represented Mr. and Mrs. Dixon and explained their pending lawsuit against the Blount County Sheriff's Department.

--Judy Dixon voiced opposition.

--Members of the Board asked questions of Mr. Goddard regarding what the expansion involves and if it is needed, if there is buffering, why is the expansion needed, will the expansion interfere with our County's training, and will approval of this special exception change the pending lawsuit.

--Tom Mabry questioned district use vs regional use.

--Jeff Burchfield with the Blount County Sheriff's Department answered questions from the Board.

Stan Headrick made a motion to approve the special exception with increased buffering and maintaining all buffering. Jim Melton made a second with a condition that buffering be improved and maintained between the houses, the 911 center, and the track.

Vote:	Harold Brown	YES
	Stanley Headrick	YES
	Rob Walker	YES
	Joe Everett	YES
	Jim Melton	YES

The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

2. Norwood Village has submitted a site plan for a second phase of the Planned Unit Development in the development off of Morganton Road.

--Kelly Spears spoke on behalf of Foothills CDC.

Joe Everett made a motion to approve the special exception. Harold Brown made a second.

Vote:	Harold Brown	YES
	Stanley Headrick	YES
	Rob Walker	YES
	Joe Everett	YES
	Jim Melton	YES

The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

3. T-Mobile is requesting a special exception for a 195 foot monopole cellular tower to be located at 5831 Nine Mile Road.

--Arthur Seymour spoke on behalf of T-Mobile.

--Tim Crye spoke.

--Andrew Corsaglia spoke in opposition.

--Amy Stark spoke on behalf of Excell Communications.

--Larry Perry answered questions from the Board.

--Barry Counts spoke in opposition.

Harold Brown made a motion to approve with buffer for five carriers. Jim Melton made a second.

Vote:	Harold Brown	YES
	Stanley Headrick	YES
	Rob Walker	YES
	Joe Everett	YES
	Jim Melton	YES

The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.