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# Notes

August 24, 2009 4:00 P.M.

## Attendance:

Members present: John Grego, Sam Holland, Frank Houston Carol Kososki, Mildred Myers, Members absent: Gary Atkinson, Becky Bailey, Jim Lawracy, Marcia Lucius, Glenice Pearson, Virginia Sanders

Others Present:

Hugh Caldwell, Richland SWCD Ken Driggers, Ken Driggers, LLC Nancy Stone-Collum, Palmetto Conservation Foundation Jim Wilson, Richland County Environmental Program Manager

Chair Carol Kososki called the meeting to order at 4:13 PM and stated that no actions can be taken due to the lack of a quorum.

Minutes: The minutes of July 27, 2009. – No action taken.

Agenda: The agenda items were discussed without action.

# Conservation Committee: Gary Atkinson, Chair:

Jim Wilson reported on the following:

Pilot Mitigation Project – Met with landowner & wetland consultant on Decker Blvd. corridor, cost analysis looks favorable, developing an agreement.

Easement agreement with J P Neal – Jim & Ken will work with J P Neal to achieve RCCC recommendation.

Pebble Creek – Three landowners ready to move forward, need an appraisal on each.

# Historic Committee: Frank Houston, Chair

Met with Coroners Office & GIS – discussing cemeteries Met with several groups during the month Letter has been sent to Katherine Bruce declining interest in project

## Publicity Committee: Sam Holland, Chair:

Website is up – not ready to be linked yet. (historicrichlandcounty.com) – May have finalized by next meeting primary historic structures and all National Register sites are on the website.

Continuing to work on PSA's - finalizing some things with Zero Gravity.

Caring for Creation Conference - Nov 1 at Zoo - Flyer has been distributed

## Finance Committee: Virginia Sanders, Chair.

Reviewed new format of County budget. Total expenditures for year to date \$12,059.78. (A copy is attached to file minutes)

## Program Manager's Report: Jim Wilson:

Public forums will be held each Thursday night in September on the new Stormwater ordinance, specifically on need for buffers and bagging leaves.

Jim discussed upcoming events of interest. See enclosed copy.

Electronic Billboard issue back on Council agenda on Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### **Old Business:**

Gills Creek Watershed Association Annual Meeting on Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 3 PM to 6 PM at Lake House on Sandhill REC. – Membership Drive and Election of Board Members.

Joint RCCC/SWCD meeting was held on August 10<sup>th</sup>. Reports were given and discussed on the four common areas we are working on: Land Development Codes, Gills Creek Watershed, Conservation Conference, and Conservation signs. The group decided to get signs put on major roads identifying the Gills Creek Watershed and Gills Creek itself.

John Grego indicated there would be a public hearing on widening of the 601 Bridge on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>.

New Business:

None

Public Input:

None

The meeting was completed at 5:10 PM

#### **Next Meeting**

September 28, 2009 – 4:00 PM.

Submitted by: Hugh Caldwell Staff Support