

**Regular Meeting of the Hancock
County Planning Commission held on
January 16,2025**

**Those Present: Crawford, Farve and Mays
Anthony Cuevas, Director of Planning & Zoning**

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of the December 19, 2024 Regular Meeting were unanimously adopted on the motion of Commissioner Crawford.

John Schaffer-Special Exception Use & Site Plan Review-Public Hearing

The Commission considered the application of John Schaffer requesting to construct two (2) separate buildings to have 35 one-bedroom apartments. The property is located on three (3) separate parcels of property. The property is located on Kiln Picayune Rd. Kiln, MS 39556. The parcel numbers are 077 -0-25-003.004, 077 -0-25-003.005 and 077 -0-25-003.006. The properties are currently zoned A-1 General Agricultural.

Mr. Schaffer was present at the meeting and explained to the Commission that he would like to add to his existing Apartment Complex by adding two more buildings that would include 35 one-bedroom apartments. Mr. Schaffer added that he continues to receive inquiries about available space and feels like that there is a need for more available units.

Public Comment:

Janet Haas Palmer was present at the meeting and spoke about the concerns of not feeling safe anymore in the community and stated that she lives adjacent to the property at 6558 Kiln Picayune Rd.

Mike Bilbo was present at the meeting and expressed his concern of the area having over 80 plus apartments and didn't see a need for anymore. Mr. Bilbo also stated he has been a life long resident of the area and is concerned about the property values of his property that is next to Mr. Schaffer's.

After discussion on the matter it was unanimously adopted on the motion of Commissioner Mays to deny the Special Exception Use & Site Plan Review due to not having an updated survey of the property as well as concerns involving the ingress and egress of the added vehicles to the property.

Meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Farve", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Chairman