A special, called meeting of the Conway Planning Commission was held Monday, October 5, 2015 in the Russell L. “Jack” Roberts District Court Building. Present: Vice-Chairman Mark Lewis, Marilyn Armstrong, Anne Tucker, Bryan Quinn, Matthew Brown and Justin Brown. Chairman Lee Washington, Stan Hobbs, Wendy Shirar, and Jerry Rye were absent.

Public Hearing items require a legal notice to be placed in the paper of local circulation at least 15 days prior to the Planning Commission meeting announcing the date, time and location for the public hearing. The Log Cabin Democrat failed to publish the required notices for the two public hearing items presented at this meeting. The legal notices were officially published on September 17, 2015 advertising today’s meeting as the Public Hearing.

Vice-Chairman Lewis called the meeting order.

The Conway Planning Commission (PC) makes recommendations to the City Council on public hearing items. The City Council will make a final decision on these items using the PC’s recommendation as a guide. Items not approved by the PC may be appealed to the City Council within 30 days after the PC’s denial. If an item is appealed to the City Council a public hearing sign must be placed on the property no less than 7 days prior to the City Council meeting and a public notice will be placed on the City’s website at www.cityofconway.org. Items reviewed by the PC on this agenda may be considered by the City Council as early as October 13, 2015.

The procedure followed for public hearing portion of the meeting is to allow the first representative to speak in favor of a request for ten minutes and each subsequent favorable speaker for two minutes each. Then, if there is any opposition, the first speaker opposed to the request may speak for ten minutes and each subsequent opposed speaker for two minutes each. Anyone wishing to speak either for or against an item may do so on any public hearing issue presented. Once all public parties have spoken the item will be brought back into committee for discussion.

I.  PUBLIC HEARINGS

A.  The North Woods Estates Rezoning from A-1 and R-1 to PUD, which was held in committee at the September 21, 2015 Planning Commission meeting, was approved 6-0 on a motion made by Anne Tucker and seconded by Marilyn Armstrong. Mr. Jim Hawks, 123 W. Cadron Ridge, Greenbrier, AR 72058, is the project developer and explained that the rezoning to a Planned Unit Development was requested to allow the development to be a private, gated community.

B.  Central Baptist College’s request for rezoning from R-2A to S-1, which was held in committee at the September 21, 2015 Planning Commission meeting was approved 6-0 on a motion made by Marilyn Armstrong and seconded by Anne Tucker.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote on a motion made by Anne Tucker and seconded Marilyn Armstrong.