

Chatham County Appearance Commission

6:30pm Wednesday, August 10 2011

Members Present: Ginny Gregory (Chair)

Caroline Siverson

Davis Andrews

Al Cooke

Sue Schwartz

Staff Present: Angela Birchett, CZO (Planning Dept)

First Presentation: Dickens RV Campground

Kent Dickens (Owner of Property)

Tom Glendenning (Landscape Contractor)

Mr. Dickens's return visit was to expand on current and proposed landscaping for an addition to his RV park on Corinth Rd. There is no screening of the site as one approaches on a curve from the lower edge. The terrain drops into a low swale at that area which precludes obscuring the view with a buffer at the road side edge of the property.

Mr. Glendenning proposed to plant a large number of young Loblolly Pines in this swale. The CCAC feels this will not provide screening within the 24-36 month window as required in the adopted Guidelines and proposed again, as during Mr. Dickens' presentation in June, that a mix of evergreens be planted at the edge of the road within the Park.

Mr. Dickens proposed that he install an 8 ft fence at this location to give immediate screening. The CCAC agreed that this proposal would provide the necessary screening. The CCAC recommended that a mixed evergreen planting including Wax Myrtles and other native shrubbery be planted bordering Corinth Rd along the new section of the Park and up the left boundary of the property to screen the Park from the neighboring property. Pictures of the property showed an unscreened waste disposal area. This area will need to be screened as per the Guidelines with at least two sides concealed by a fence at least 1 ft higher than the object to be screened and coming within 12 inches of the ground.

Part II: Dogwood Veterinary Hospital and Pet Resort

Presenters: Blair Mitchell, Will Marshburn

The client proposes to add an additional building housing kennels to the rear of the existing building. The existing landscaping is sufficient except for the North boundary. This buffer will be replaced during the Winter of 2012 with a mix of evergreen shrubs.

Respectfully submitted by Sue Schwartz on August 12, 2011