

SOUTHERN BEAUFORT COUNTY
CORRIDOR REVIEW BOARD MINUTES
April 7, 2008

Members Present:

Martha Crapse
Joe Hall
Jake Lee
Paul Roth
Jim Tiller
Steve Wilson

Members Absent: None

John Thomas

Staff Present: Judy Nash Timmer, Development Review Planner

- I. **Call to Order:** Chairman Wilson called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.
- II. **General Public Comment:** There was no public comment.
- III. **Review of March 17, 2008 minutes:** Chairman Wilson did not receive a project packet and requested that review of the minutes be deferred until the next meeting.
- IV. **Old Business: None**
- V. **New Business:**
 - A. Modern Classic Motors Dealership (Conceptual); Michael Griffith (Architect), Ling Graves (Developer), Gordon Faulkner (Dealership Owner) and two BMW representatives from out of state were present to discuss the project. Staff read the project report, The Board made the following recommendations for the project.

Architecture: Jake Lee, Board Architect, stated the proposed architecture did not blend with the surrounding neighborhood. He also stated the building architecture should be unobtrusive in the neighborhood. The proposed building had no relationship with the existing Toyota dealership or the Honda adjacent to the project site. Joe Hall, Board Architect agreed with Mr. Lee's statement. The Board stated the building architecture and building materials should provide continuity between the proposed 3 phases of the development and not stand out.
- VI. **Other Business:**
 - A. **Outdoor Display:** Business owner, Amy of Sweet Beginnings located in Myrtle Park on highway 46 approached planning staff to request a change of the outdoor display items allowed within the highway corridor districts. She wants to

put out clothes racks in front of her store. After discussing the issue, the board decided they would not support the change and believed that such a change would add clutter to the corridor and possibly create fire code issue.

B. TCL Building: Jim Tiller brought to the attention of the board that the TCL building had received a State Architecture Merit Award and wanted the board to consider allowing compatible contemporary architecture in the corridors. Discussion ensued about the definition of Lowcountry architecture with Jake Lee stating there is no such thing as commercial Lowcountry architecture that the key is for a building to sit quietly in its surroundings and not scream. Additionally, he stated that good planning and good landscape is the essence of the Hilton Head look. The Board did not come to a conclusion on whether to allow contemporary architecture.

VII. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.