

Town of Yemassee
Section 504 Committee Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2019

Present: Matthew Garnes, Stephen Henson, Marie McManus, Verlynda Singleton

Absent: Charles Simmons

- I. The Section 504 Committee meeting was called to order at 10:10AM by Matthew Garnes.
- II. Present Committee members were Mr. Garnes, Mr. Henson, Ms. McManus & Ms. Singleton. Absent was Councilman Simmons.
- III. No members of the Public were present and accordingly there was no Public Comment
- IV. No Old Business
- V. New Business
 - a. Discussion ensued about Town owned properties that needed to be included in the Transition Plan. Mr. Garnes gave some background on why the Transition Plan is needed. Should the Town of Yemassee seek to go after any CDBG grant funding in the future, Commerce is looking to see that the Town has a Section 504 committee established and a Transition Plan in effect to address issues with Town or City owned buildings that are not ADA compliant. Ms. McManus asked if this would include any public buildings such as businesses and Mr. Garnes advised her no, this was only buildings owned by the Town of Yemassee. Mr. Henson advised the first building that comes to mind is the Town Hall, Train Station & Community Center. Mr. Garnes added the Town Hall ballfield restrooms, Moore's Park, Peeples field & the Willis Street basketball court. Ms. Singleton added the Police Substation on Railroad Avenue North. Ms. McManus added that there is definitely a known issue with that parking lot.
 - b. Mr. Garnes advised that the group needed to rank the properties in terms of importance. The committee would need to evaluate the properties on a list provided by Lowcountry Council of Governments. The list finalized was: 1.) Town Hall 2.) Train

Station 3A.) Moore's Park 3B.) Willis Street Basketball Court 4.)
Police Substation 5A.) Community Center 5B.) Town Hall ballfield
6.) Peeples field

- c. Mr. Garnes suggested that the committee meet each week to get the site tours complete and try to do at least 3 per week. Mr. Henson suggested Town Hall, Community Center and the Town Hall ballfield the first day. The next meeting date was collectively decided for the next Thursday at 9AM.
- VI. Mr. Garnes asked for a motion to adjourn at 11:38. Motion by Ms. McManus, Second by Mr. Henson. All in favor.