

Proposed Laundry Mat Update April 30, 2016

On Thur. April 28, 2016 I met with Commissioner Heiskell at her office at her monthly meeting. The Laundry Mat had already passed the Planning Commission 9-0 for it, and she was to sign it on Thursday.

I opposed the laundry on behalf of many residents in the Wilson Road area for the following reasons-

- 1. It may attract and encourage more rentals - not home ownership**
- 2. Homeowners are meeting and want this area cleaned up, not this.**
- 3. The Sheriff and Fire Dept. visited 6 rental communities within ½ mile of the proposed laundry over 800 times in the last 15 months. We do not want this business if it could attract and encourage more rentals.**
- 4. The business was not advertised in the paper for zoning.**
- 5. The business did not have a 12 sq. ft. sign posted for zoning.**
- 6. The business could cause excessive traffic and we do not have enough street lighting on James or Wilson now and is very dangerous.**
- 7. There are no sidewalks, do we want more kids and families walking to this facility at all hours of the night?**
- 8. This facility may cause more loud noise, loud music, and congregating of unsupervised youth in our area.**
- 9. This facility could help lower the value of homes in our area.**
- 10. This area is zoned R-2. This is a commercial building and business.**
- 11. The building walls and plumbing were up before the zoning was approved by the Planning Commission and Commissioner.**
- 12. The new building is built on the existing slab and footers that were poured in 1900. This may not be up to today's code.**
- 13. A laundry is 1.2 miles away in Rossville and we don't need another.**
- 14. The zoning address was incorrect from the start.**
- 15. The residents around this business could argue that this business will hurt their property values when they decide to sale.**
- 16. With the lack of Codes Enforcement on existing homes that have burned or been abandoned for many years, we need to clean up our community first.**

Commissioner Heiskell listened to my argument and agreed with me and stopped all construction immediately and will visit this again in 30 days after the county starts over and does it correctly. At that time we