

Minutes of
Community Development Services
Study Session
August 25, 2003

Those Present: Max Golladay, Perry Huston and Bruce Coe

Also Present: John Wolpers, Environmental Health, David Taylor, Allison Kimball and Catherine Dunn

Water

John Wolpers presented letters that he uses for plat approvals and one that he would like to change to. He said that a hydrological report is required under the new guidelines and possibly a note on the face of the plat. He asked the Board whether this is what they want.

Perry Huston said that they didn't want a note on the face of the plat.

Wolpers said that their new letter goes into depth on the requirements for the different systems.

Max Golladay asked what constituted a hydrological report. Huston said that Dick Bain was the only engineer in the area who did them and that would be a good example.

Golladay asked if a person could submit a report that stated where wells were and their depths, etc. Did the public need to hire someone to do this?

Huston said that he didn't want to put John Wolpers as Director of Environmental Health in the position to have to judge whether an individual report was complete.

David Taylor pointed out that the cite in the letter was not correct.

Bruce Coe said that Wolpers could develop criteria for the reports. It wouldn't have to be done by a Professional Engineer.

Wolpers agreed with Huston saying that he didn't want to get caught in a "you approved my neighbor's report" sort of situation.

Golladay said that he was against this requirement.

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Huston said that as we do it now, the well costs more than Dick Bain's report which is only about \$250.

Wolpers said that Group B wells have switched from 2 party to 3 party wells. If it is an individual well, the Critical Areas Ordinance requires a distance of 50 feet from property lines, but does not have the same requirement for public (Group B) wells.

Huston said that made no sense and that amendments need to be made to the Critical Areas Ordinance.

Wolpers said that he would agree to variance.

Watershed Planning

David Taylor reported that there were no legal opinions sent in yet.

Max Golladay said that it was on the agenda of the Tri-County Water Resource Agency for the 28th. He reported that Honeyford is talking about getting an Attorney General's opinion.

Taylor said that he had run the legislation through Mary Burke and the Cattlemen's Association and will take it to the Farm Bureau. He asked what the Board would like for the hearing.

Perry Huston said that it might be time to let out some of the comments that the Board hears privately.

Golladay said to remind him to take the Yakama Nation's comments on Black Rock to the meeting.

MOU with Pacific Legal Foundation

Perry Huston said that he couldn't write this Memorandum.

Max Golladay said that Mike Poulsen is redrafting the MOU and will send it along.

David Taylor said that he would get together with him on this.

Okanogan County Decision

Taylor handed out the decision. It was decided to call Greg McElroy for a copy of the complete decision.

CAFO/AFO meeting

Taylor reported that although he didn't go to the meeting, he had talked with the Cattlemen's Association and the representative from the Department of Agriculture and got a feel for the situation. He thinks it will be manageable.

Vehicles

The department was directed to surplus 3 vehicles and replace with 2 two-wheel drive vehicles.