KITTITAS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday April 9th 2013 @ 6:30 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS’ AUDITORIUM
205 W. Fifth Street, Ellensburg

I. Call to order and introduction of members and staff.

Chairman Grant Clark called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Those present: Chairman Grant Clark, Leslie Walker, Rob Fraser, Bob Hickey, and Margaret Sullivan

Those absent: Brandon Huber

Also present: Doc Hansen- Planning official, Rose Shriner- Clerk/CDS Permit Technician

II. Correspondence: None

III. Minutes: Leslie Walker made a motion to approve the minutes as written from February 26th, 2013 meeting, Bob Hickey seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

IV. Old Business: None.

V. New Business

A. Status of the Shorelines Management Program (SMP) and Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO)-timelines

Doc Hansen updated the Planning Commission members on the County’s efforts to update the Shoreline Management Program (SMP) and Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO). Hansen expects that the next planning commission meeting they will review the inventory characterization report (ICR) and review all shorelines of statewide impact. Hansen strongly suggested reviewing SMP documents on the website before the next meeting so members will have a strong understanding of the documents being discussed.

B. Status of Growth Management
   a. Outcome and Hearing before the Hearings Board

Hansen stated that overall the Hearing on April 1st, 2013 went better than expected. Hansen expected that more questions would be from opposed parties. Hansen stated that June 3rd is the anticipated date for implementation of the Growth Management if the Hearings Board accepts the changes made in May.

   a. Direction and timeline of Water Issue in Growth Management

Hansen stated in order to meet the deadline for June 12th; the ordinance would need to be in front of the Hearings Board by May 9th. However, Mr. Hansen plans to bring it in front of the Hearings Board for an extension for an effective date of October 1st. Hansen presented
why asking for an extension is essential and what Kittitas County has done to be proactive on this issue. There was discussion by members and Mr. Hansen on the possible solutions for compliance.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.