

KITTITAS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

August 12th, 2014

Commissioner's Auditorium
Kittitas County Courthouse

- I. **Chairman Grant Clark** called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

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

Those absent: Brandon Huber and Gary Starkovich

Also present: Planning Official- Doc Hansen, Staff Planner Jeff Watson, Planning Consultant, Anna Nelson from Van Ness Feldmen, Staff member Christina Wollman, CDS permit technician/clerk- Rose Shriner and approximately 17 members of the public

- I. **Correspondence:** None

II. **Minutes**

- a. Vice Chairman Rob Fraser stated that 3-25-14 minutes he requested in section two, first sentence be a complete sentence. Rob Fraser made a motion with the amendment to section two, first sentence. Bob Hickey seconded the motion. **The motion passed with 5-0 vote.**

III. **New Business:** Shoreline Master Program

a. **Staff Presentation and Recommendation**

Planning consultant, Anna Nelson, Van Ness Feldman read the Shoreline Master Program update- July 2014 Revised Final Draft into the record which included staff recommendation.

There was discussion between planning commission members and staff.

Chairman Clark opened the public hearing to comment.

Greg McElroy, 6900 E Greenlake Way #123, Seattle, WA 981223, representing Ellensburg Cement Products and the Hutchinson's, submitted a letter comment and wanting to emphatically recommend that you accept only the minimum shoreline jurisdiction. The practical reason for that is that all of the people who looked at this plan seem to include that it meets all of the protection and ecological criteria by doing that.

John Marvin, PO Box 151, Toppenish, WA, representing Yakama Nation and a Fish Habitat Biologist, he recommended that the county should implement those data sources as required by the Shoreline Management Act. There are buffers outside of the shoreline variance permits. The act is very explicit about any reductions in standards have to go through a variance process. He stated that in his opinion that this [proposal] is a reduction in standards.

Daniel Bramstedt, 804 Viewridge Ct, Ellensburg, WA, representing himself, stated that he owns property in Douglas County that was undeveloped and the Shoreline Program was enacted in 2009 and they are still having issues.

Joshua Hancock, 1000 Mountain River Trail, Cle Elum, WA, representing Mountain River Trails Camping Association, stated that if they weren't able to use these memberships would cut 20%. They want to be in compliance adhere properly but the property becomes useless and forfeit that number would be devastating [400 members].

Steve Worley, 1713 S Canyon Rd #100, Ellensburg, WA, representing himself, owner of Worley Bugger Fly Co., stated that people had to be rescued by the Sheriff because there is no safe access and operate safely and operators. In the 1975 considerations a boat launch is a marina and the new shoreline master program to distinguish the difference [between boat launch and marina].

Derek Young, Ellensburg, WA, representing himself, stated that he wanted to urge the commission to take some strong looks at what is being defined as a boat launch. You have other areas, such as BLM in the Ahtanum area that is contributing to net loss. I urge the commission to take strong look at the language between power boats and Marina.

Discussion occurred between the people who commented, staff and the planning commission.

Chairman Clark closed the public hearing to comment.

Public Hearing deliberation

Commission Member Rob Hickey made a motion to accept the Shoreline Master Program with the exception that the section regarding river boat launches and associated parking be included. Rob Fraser seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.