Skagit County Planning Commission Meeting Minutes Joint Meeting with the Board of County Commissioners Work Session: Shoreline Master Program Update March 09, 2021
6:01 PM – 8:05 PM

Please refer to transcript and video recording of Planning Commission meeting for in-depth information about these meeting minutes. Referenced documents, the full transcript, meeting agenda, and a video recording of this meeting can be viewed here:

https://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/PlanningCommission/PCminutes.htm

Summary of Meeting

Roll Call

Chair Raschko began the meeting with a roll call.

Tim Raschko: Present
Kathy Mitchell: Present
Mark Knutzen: Present
Joseph Shea: Present
Mark Lundstein: Present
Amy Hughes: Present
Joe Woodmansee: Present

Tammy Candler: Present Martha Rose: Present

Board of County Commissioners Roll Call

Chair Lisa Janicki, Ron Wesen, and Peter Browning of the Board of County Commissioners were all present.

Approval of Minutes (02/23/2021)

Chair Raschko introduced the meeting minutes from the last meeting for approval. A motion to approve was initiated by Commissioner Mitchell. It was seconded by Commissioner Candler and the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Joint Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners Discussion

Planning Commission Member Introductions

The Planning Commissioners introduced themselves and shared motivations for joining the Planning Commission. At this point, Commissioner Lundsten introduced himself and announced his resignation from the Planning Commission due to the censure from September 2020.

Opening Comments and Discussion

The Board of County Commissioners shared introductions and motivations for joining the Board. Chair Lisa Janicki then lead some discussion on the effects some bills going through the Washington Legislature may have on County planning. Chair Janicki and Chair Raschko agreed that they would work toward meeting at least twice a year. Other discussions included topics surrounding the docketing process, Agritourism and questions to the Board of County Commissioners.

Adjourn - Board of County Commissioners - 7:00PM

There was a five minute break until 7:05PM.

Presentation/Work Session: Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Update (Continued)

Peter Gill began this work session by outlining the work that has been done on the SMP in the past few weeks. Betsy Stevenson and Dan Nickel from the Watershed Company then continued discussion of the Shoreline Master Program Update. Mr. Nickel lead a presentation on the SMP update, topics including past Planning Commission recommendations and Parts II, VI, VII and VIII of the Shoreline Master Plan. Ms. Stevenson and Mr. Nickel took questions and comments from the Planning Commissioners. This discussion is to be continued at the March 23rd Planning Commission Meeting.

Director's Update

Mr. Hart gave an update on the current and changing conditions in Skagit County and in the PDS Department including increasing permit applications, current projects, and population growth. Mr. Gill mentioned that the Planning Docket will tentatively be introduced to the Board on March 23rd. He also introduced the new Planning and Development Services intern, Daniel Hasenoehrl.

Planning Commission Comments/Announcements

Several commissioners thanked staff for their continued efforts with no additional discussion.

Adjourned at 8:20PM

Tim Raschko, Planning Commission Chair

Hal Hart, Secretary

Date

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