

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

OCTOBER 7, 2021

6:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Rob calls the October 7, 2021 Planning Commission to order at 6:30 PM

II. ROLL CALL

III. Rob - Present

IV. Kristin - Present

V. Don - Present

George - Absent

Bridget – Absent

Amy - Present

Dianne - Present

Dan - Present

Ivy - Present

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

i. Don motions to approve the agenda. Kristin seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

VII. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

i. Kristin motions to approve the September 2, 2021 meeting minutes. Don seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Variance for Town of Darrington

i. Discussion was held. Dan explains is all we need is a variance for the irrigation because we will only have grass. Amy asks if we have 15 ft of screening of the front, and Dan says yes. She asks a couple more questions and after Dan answers, Amy states that we are compliant.

ii. Kristin approves the variance for the town of Darrington. Don seconds. All in favor. Motion is carried.

2. Sign Code

i. The planning commission reviews the municipal code per planning commission approving signs. They review the municipal code so everyone is on the same page on where planning commission needs to approve signs per sign code.

IX. VISITORS

- i. Amy says we need to start working on the comp plan process. Employment compacity is being taken away from the town. In 2012 buildable lands, they gave us a total of 4068 job compacity based on zoning, The new target for 2035 the employment capacity is 2044, which was sliced off and then actually was moved to an employment target of 1,015. Kristin asks if it effects how much we qualify for grants. Amy says it can. Discussion as held in regards on what could affect it. Rob asks what happens if our employment limit goes over. Amy states it will probably affect our grants. Kristen asks if we can ask for an extension just in case, and Amy says that's fine. Amy brings up the population change. The current Town of Darrington population is 1462 people. The 2012 projected 1812. The new projection is 1738 but they have not come up with housing capacity yet. Kristin asks if we don't stick to these points, what makes us get dinged, and Amy states that the grants are super competitive. Amy thinks we will make our target, but if we want to grow past this, we will need to plan for the next comp plan revision. We still have about 300 jobs and that is about a 4th of our population. They bring up multi family to have enough housing for the new jobs, and then they discuss septic. Amy says we should really wait to see what the housing compacity comes out at. Amy wants to come up with a town annex so it would be great for each commission member to draft something up for us to look at.
- ii. Discussion is held about when we get the monitors on Glacier Peak. It is projected for 2024. Dan states last September we handled the preliminary for it. Amy asks if they have discussed sirens, dan states no. More discussion was held.
- iii. Forest fires are discussed. The fire district is trying to get a brush truck, and trying to clean up to prevent and/or control this.
- iv. Amy states she wants to set out a template to brainstorm what we can to mitigate hazards.

X. ADJOURN

Rob adjourns the meeting October 7, 2021 Meeting at 7:30 PM.

Rob Requa, Chair

ATTEST:

Dianne Allen, Clerk/Treasurer