



Planning Commission Special Meeting Minutes

1 A regular meeting of the Okanogan County Planning Commission was held **May 22, 2023, at 7:00**
2 **PM**. The meeting was held in the Commissioners Hearing Room, 123 5th Ave. N., Okanogan,
3 Washington offering both in person attendance and a hybrid zoom option.

4 **PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS** present included: Salley Bull, Verlene, John Crandall, Phil
5 Dart, George Thornton

6 **OKANOGAN COUNTY STAFF MEMBERS** present included: Director of Planning Pete Palmer,
7 Rocky Robbins Planner III, Maddie Hilts Administrative Secretary

8 **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE via Phone/WebEx/In Person:** Kirt Danison (Via Zoom)

9 **Public Comment-** George Thornton asked if there is any public comment. There was no in person
10 attendance at the meeting and no one on zoom who wished to comment.

11 **Approval of Agenda:** Salley Bull moved to approve the agenda Phil Dart seconded. All approved.
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14 **Approval of Minutes:** John Crandall moved to approve the minutes Phil seconded. All approved.
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16 Dave discusses his concerns about the Planning Commission seating situation. His biggest
17 concern is having his back face the audience, he feels it's disrespectful and unprofessional.
18 Salley states that the BOCC has a public comment period 5/23/23 at 9:15 a.m. and suggested that
19 Dave Call in. Planning Commissioner's discuss their thoughts on the new seating area.
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21 05/8/2023
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23 **New Business**

24 • Zone Code- Pete discusses the zone code changes. Pete suggested to scale back from
25 the revision. Pete will meet with the consultant to discuss the certain changes. Salley asked
26 about the deadline but Pete discussed that there is a new date being discussed.
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29 • Planning Update
30 Pete states that the planning department is very busy. Talking about how there has been
31 more public records, also trying to explain the new process of the handling of the public
32 records.

33 Pete states that she wants long range planners. She also discusses that they like to do
34 team building when there is time. Dave states we need to learn from history. Phil agrees
35 with Dave. Pete let the board know that there now a position available to join the board.
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Old Business

- Shoreline Master Program Review/Update – Highlands & Assoc.
Pete turns it over to Kirt to discuss on the SMP. He states that the critical areas typically the wetlands were up to date. Shorelines are fairly out of date and working with the department of ecology. Kirt thinks they should have a public comment on June 26. He said there is a difference between shorelines and critical areas.

Pete asked if they wanted to have a special meeting so the board can take a look at the red line SMP before the public comment. Phil thinks that having another meeting isn't necessary because there was not a lot of change to the document.

ADJOURN: Phill motioned and Verlene seconded.

- **Next meeting:** Regular meeting June 26, 2023 starting at 7 p.m.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

Approval of Agenda: Sally Bull moved to approve the agenda Phil Dart seconded. All approved.

Approval of Minutes: John Crandall moved to approve the minutes Phil seconded. All approved.

ADJOURN: Phill motioned and Verlene seconded.

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Prepared by

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Administrative Secretary