

Latah County Planning Commission
Minutes, 11 October 2000

Planning Commission [PC] Members: Skyler Schlueter [SS], John Hunt [JDH], Suvia Judd [SJ], Kathleen Warnick [KW], James Hagedorn [JH], Janet Hohle [JanH], Louise Barber [LB]; Planning Director, Gerard Billington [GB]

Present/Absent: SS, KW, JanH, LB, JH, SJ present; JDH, absent. Staff: GB.

Packet materials: (previously mailed) draft of revised ordinances; agenda; minutes from 9-13-00.

Meeting:

Minutes from 13 September 2000 passed.

GB reported that the Greg Servheen wildlife habitat map will be ready by beginning of 2001.

The purpose of the meeting was to finalize the language of the draft of the revised land use regulations/ordinances. GB reminded the PC that what goes before the public is what the PC believes is necessary; the public will “refine” it further. The discussion proceeded:

Regarding home occupations and the size of a “residential accessory building” for home occupation purposes. GB stated that the purpose of any regulation was to control interference of any operations in areas zoned for AG/FOR or residential use. No decision on size of building or whether an existing structure/barn might be acceptable for use; more thought and public input necessary.

Temporary dwelling for dependent person: PC decided to add that this dwelling should be within 500 feet of existing residence.

Mineral Resources: PC wants changes in language of notification of neighbors before blasting (neighbors within one mile to receive notification of blasting by certified mail), and required warning signage around pits. Lengthy discussion about distance from pit/all mining activity to existing dwellings on surrounding properties; PC wants ordinance to require that distance to be 1000 feet (including from mining roads); PC also wants a required 100-foot buffer on property owned by a mineral resource operator exclusive of two access roads, unless property fronts a public road, which would not require that buffer.

Next meeting, 25 October 2000, at 7:00pm, County Courthouse, 2-B.

Submitted by: _____ 18 October 2000
Louise D. Barber

