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Latah County Planning Commission

Called to order at 5:30 by chair Janet Hohle. Those present are JH, Suvia Judd, Cindy Agidius, Steve Heick, John Akin, Bob Henriksen, Keven Gergely.

The board went around and reintroduced themselves.

Minutes from the last meeting were approved with the changes made to reflect spelling correction for Aimee Shipman.

As a point of reference it was brought up by Janet Hohle that the minutes from the previous meeting needed to be corrected regarding the action recommended by the subcommittee discussing the Comp Plan Land Use Committee, they recommended the removal of the "Potential Beltway Alignment", not the ring road.

Suvia reported on the Sustainability Committee . (Cindy could not attend do to an extended Hospice Meeting that began at 1145.)Bob thought this might be an interesting exercise to help us recognize our values. Cindy suggested adding a Sustainability component to the comp plan would make the plan more complicated and give possible credence to more restrictions and add layers to gov't that she opposed. Steve said he felt this did not pertain to the comp plan revision since this was not part of the comp plan in 94. John said he felt concerns about adding anything to the comp plan but thought the exercise Suvia suggested may be good. Kevin felt this exercise might be moot because it may not be an enforceable component and something to difficult for the Zoning Commission to enforce while the concept may be good, coming from the Zoning Commission he said he is quite aware of how little "bite" was in the plan. Janet felt we may have already done this with all our other meetings to review the comp plan and that maybe this was a duplication of work already done. We may need to use what we compiled more from the information we already gathered. Suvia explained that she believes more can be gleaned that we can use to help us sustain the values we have identified. Suvia brought up the idea of "county branding" in regards to Economic Development. March 27 there will be a Food Security Conference to discuss the

production of food in this area in case of emergency need. Cinda Williams the Extension agent will make a presentation for us at our next meeting on March 16th. John suggested we capitalize on being the “healthiest county in Idaho” as our branding. (it was moved by Suvia and 2nd by Steve that we invite Cinda to make her presentation)

Michelle voiced that Steve Robischon would like to present to us a history of the Palouse Basin.

Cindy agreed that the Land splits may well belong in the Land Use Ordinance revision after the Comp Plan revisions are made.

Economic development suggestions. Per John , elements 3 and 4, may be redundant and suggested the elimination of number 3. Discussion ensued

Agenda was set by Janet and committee.

Murray reminded people the difference between conserving and preserving.

We convened the meeting at 745pm