

**Latah County Planning Commission**  
Minutes for December 20, 2005

Planning Commission [PC] Members: John Hunt [JDH], Suvia Judd [SJ], Kathleen Warnick [KW], James Smith [JS], Janet Hohle [JH], Louise Barber [LB].  
Planning Director, Michelle Fuson [MF]

PC Members Present: JDK, SJ, KW, JS, JH. Staff: MF.

Chairman Hunt convened the meeting at 5:45 PM. The minutes for the December 6, 2005 meeting were accepted as submitted.

Section 4.03 Mineral Resource Development: The definition of a mineral resource development includes stockpiling of topsoil, peat, sand, gravel, rock, clay, and aggregate. The draft ordinance as written would require a conditional use permit for stockpiling of such materials for retail sales, as in a nursery operation, even if they were not extracted on site. The germ of consensus was that if an agri-business was an allowed use then stockpiling should not require a CUP and that section 4.03.01 be amended as follows (**bold new**): *Mineral resource development is any land use related to the excavation, crushing, washing, sizing and screening, asphalt batch plants, cement and concrete plants, other processing, and surface stockpiling of topsoil, peat, sand, grave., rock, clay, aggregate, metallic, non-metallic and industrial minerals, gemstones, or other mineral resources **excavated on site.***

Section 4.03.04 Exemptions: Several language changes were made. The first sentence in this section is amended to read (**bold new**): *Mineral resources excavated **from or stockpiled on the parcel by the property owner for.....*** Section 4.03.04(2): *The mineral resource is greater than 1,000 feet but less than one mile from adjacent property boundary or structures on state or federal lands **when applicable** and use of the mineral resource disturbs one acre or less.*

Section 4.05 Storage and Collection of Junk: Continued discussion of ordinance between PC and public in attendance. Topics covered included, using language that suggested certain uses more like that used in the groundwater overlay zone; the fears the junk ordinance will be used as a neighbor against neighbor tool; having a county-wide junk clean-up advocacy event in the spring; and that the real issue should focus on the health, safety, and welfare of the public. Section 5.05.04 Exceptions was amended as follows (**bold new**): *Those objects customarily stored outside an enclosed structure due to their size and character, that will not readily deteriorate when exposed to the elements and that are usable **or of historic interest**, such as farm machinery, irrigation and heavy equipment, those objects which are themselves enclosures, swimming pools and lawn furniture, in amounts that would be typical of one single family residence or one farm are exempt from Section 4.05 of this ordinance. A motion was presented by KW to pass this section on to public hearing; JH seconded the motion which was then adopted unanimously.*

Submitted by Janet Hohle, January 17, 2006