

February 2, 2010

Latah County Planning Commission

Latah County Courthouse

The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm by Janet Hohle, Chair.

Those in attendance were Bob Henriksen, Steve Heick, John Akin, Cindy Agidius, Suvia Judd, and Janet Hohle.

No new items for protection were brought forward areas to work on the comp plan.

The small group meetings held over the last 2 weeks made presentations as follows:

Janet and Cindy discussed the **Comp Plan Map**. Janet asked Michelle how some of these boundaries might have originally have been drawn and what the rational was for them. Michelle said she would have to guesstimate how were boundaries developed for industrial/comm./res areas on the map....she may have something for us at the next meeting a bit more definitive. Cindy and Janet did not see a lot need to change the Comp Plan except for possibly in the Viola area and the ring road approximate designation was determined to be unnecessary. It was moved by Cindy and 2nd by Suvia to eliminate the ring road drawing from the land map. The approval of the motion was unanimous.

Element 12 (Members, Steve, John and Cindy)

- 1 - Re examine the definition of Spot Zone
- 2 - Encourage cluster zoning w/in area of city impact (1/2mi)
- 3 - Define splits in such a matter that smaller splits (10 acres or less) that are either non productive or are not economically feasible to farm.
- 4 - Invite commissioners to discuss this.

Steve, John and Cindy felt strongly that these splits would not take away from the rural feel of the county but would meet the need of many county residents who want to be able to break of small pieces of land to family members of for financial need.

The spot zone definition is too confusing for Zoning Commission members.

Economic Development Element 4

Discussion centered around how to develop economic centers in populated areas, would like to encourage business along the corridor-transportation corridors. And on element 4 number 3 and 4 are redundant. Conversation ensued. General consensus is to enhance language to encourage economic development.

Element 8 Natural Resources

Get info from Idaho Fish and Game tracking info on our county regarding grazing areas, vegetation in the area, education. Discussed the new light on the top of Steak House Hill that helps protect animal passage corridors. Enhance philosophy that this county is not just ag oriented, highlight wildlife. Protect winter ranges.

Suvia and Cindy will be meeting to discuss sustainability before next week. Identify what needs to be sustained per the comp plan and are there any resources that need to be protected. Identify the process in how to determine those items.

Land divisions to be discussed and Economic Development at next meeting. We will start with Economic Development so we can follow with the residential piece.

Next meeting Feb 16 will be Roundtable on Economic Development.

Public Comment

Adjourned at 7:45

