

Feb 16, 2010

Latah County Planning Comm

Latah County Courthouse Room 2B

Meeting was convened at 5:30 by Janet Hohle (Chairman). Those present were Janet Hohle, Suvia Judd, Cindy Agidius, Steve Heick, Bob Henriksen, Kevin Gergely and John Akin. Guests in the audience included Amy Shipman from the EDC and 2 members of the Zoning Commission (Wayne and Jim).

It was moved by John and 2nd by Steve Heick that the minutes be approved.

Dave Trail made a presentation on Planned Growth.

Suvia engaged the Commission and public in an exercise about "Sustainability".

Comments from Amy Shipman: wants to hopefully to develop more business in the outlying areas, renewable energy sources, value added jobs to the ag business.

Michelle explained that possibly that there are areas of the comp plan that could help and encourage business development in the county. Sharing that information with the county seems to be an essential need.

Suvia suggested land use planning and economic planning should be done together.

Next meeting will be March 2nd.

The Planning Commission took comments from the Zoning Commission.

Adjourned at 7:50pm

Outline of remarks – David M. Trail

SUSTAINABILITY, SUITABILITY AND CAPACITY

1. Latah County budget sustainability issues. \$11,000 per person indigent costs – numbers increasing—unfunded mandates from state.
2. Land Splits – need to revisit

3. Lot sizes – Table 2.2, city Plan has very small sizes, limitations discussed such as garden space, room for chickens and storage issues, etc.
4. City proposed 112 miles of pathways, arterial and connecting roads create 40 + new intersections where roads and paths cross. Safety issues. Cost of building and maintenance... approximately 407 acres and 969 acres = 1431 acres of rich farmland involved. Transparency map of paths over roads handed out.
5. Hardship potential, costs, time – labor of county in locating and notifying in writing potentially affected landowners. Budget and capacity. Impact area and way beyond impact area involved.
6. Taxes on lots not sold issues.
7. Issues about Idaho property condition disclosure act Title 55 chapter 25 Example disclosure notice handed out.