



SKAMANIA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

Tuesday, March 16, 2021, 6:15 PM

REMOTE PARTICIPATION BY ZOOM MEETING TELEPHONE AND VIDEO CONFERENCE

1. CALL TO ORDER

Cyndi Soliz called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Cyndi Soliz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Planning Commissioners Present: Anita Gahimer Crow, Sue Davis, John Prescott, Cyndi Soliz

Staff Present: Mike Beck, Andrew Lembrick, Alan Peters

4. AGENDA ITEMS

a. Approval of minutes from the March 2, 2021 Planning Commission Meeting.

Sue Davis moved to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2021 Planning Commission Meeting. John Prescott seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

b. Workshop to discuss alternative energy facilities.

Alan Peters provided a summary of revisions that were made to the draft alternative energy facility proposal.

The Planning Commissioners discussed the proposal and asked questions of staff. John Prescott suggested that the new draft be sent to the Skamania PUD. Anita Gahimer Crow made recommendations for revisions to the text to allow for installation of screening plantings to mitigate glare and reflection of solar arrays, to exempt forestry uses from the noise limit for wind turbines, to require safety barriers to prevent climbing of towers, and to ensure adequate clearance between turbine blades and nearby trees and structures. Mr. Peters stated that he could work these changes into the draft and that he would schedule the item for a public hearing in the near future.



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c. Workshop to discuss recreational facilities.

Alan Peters gave a presentation about recreational facilities and current zoning regulations related to recreational facilities. Planning Commission members discussed what a recreational facility is, and staff identified some facilities that have been developed in recent years.

The Planning Commission was supportive of addressing this topic and directed staff to prepare definitions for new land use terms related to recreation facilities for discussion at the next meeting.

5. PLANNING COMMISSION BUSINESS

None.

6. ADJOURN

Cyndi Soliz adjourned the meeting at 7:21 PM.