

CITY OF KALAMA DRAFT
PLANNING COMMISSION
JANUARY 14, 2016

OPENING

Chairperson Patrick Harbison opened the meeting at 6:05 p.m. Commissioners present were Phil Fortuna, Don Mathison, Dan Ohall, Mike Reuter and Sue Dennis Langham. Commissioner Jim Hendrickson was absent. Staff present was: City Administrator Adam Smee and Secretary Susan Junnikkala. Members of the audience are listed on the sign-in sheet.

MINUTES - None presented.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – None presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None presented.

NEW BUSINESS –

1. Introduction to new Commissioners.

Chairperson Harbison introduced Mike Reuter and Sue Dennis Langham as the new Commissioners.

2. Elect new Chairperson and Co-Chairperson

Chairperson Harbison explained to the Commission that every January a new Chairperson and Co-Chairperson are elected for the year. Chairperson Harbison asked if anyone else is interested in being the new Chairperson and/or Co-Chairperson.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fortuna to elect Patrick Harbison as the Chairperson and was seconded by Commissioner Mathison. Commissioner Harbison made a motion to elect Commissioner Fortuna as Co-Chairperson and Commissioner Mathison seconded the motion. The motions passed with all in favor.

3. Set goals for the upcoming year.

Chairperson Harbison asked the Commission if they have any request for goals in the upcoming year.

1. Commissioner Fortuna ask Administrator Smee for an update on the urban growth boundary. Administrator Smee reported that there has only been one meeting held so far. He did inform the Commission that he will make contact

with the County and let them know the Planning Commission is very serious on this issue and the date it has to be finalized.

2. Administrator Smee informed the Commission that they are going to use Mackenzie as the City Planner since Matt Buchanan left. Commissioner Mathison asked if the City can afford this kind of expense. Administrator Smee stated the application costs are reimbursed to the City.

Chairperson asked about the shoreline and where are we with this. Administrator Smee informed the commission that the Port of Kalama has hired its own consultant to work on this. Also there were some comments from the Department of Ecology that are being addressed. Commissioner Mathison asked if he could review the report from the Department of Ecology.

Administrator Smee wants to look at getting more multi living and rentals brought into the area. He explained to the Commission that he had a meeting with a realtor and a developer who are interested in these kinds of development. The most concern is infrastructure and if and where it is located.

Administrator Smee stated that the first and upmost is getting the comp plan done and that could take the whole year to get done.

STAFF REPORTS –

1. **None**

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Harbison adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:15 p.m. These minutes are not verbatim. They are a general overview of what took place. An audio tape or video may be made available for listening upon request at City Hall during normal business hours.

Susan Junnikkala, Secretary