

# CITY OF KALAMA PLANNING COMMISSION

**DATE:** January 12, 2012

**TIME:** 7:00 P.M.

**OPENING:** Call to Order

**MINUTES:**

1. None

**PUBLIC HEARING;**

1. None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Critical Areas Ordinance Code -- Comments from the Department of Ecology
2. Election of Planning Chairperson and Co-Chairperson

**STAFF REPORTS:**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**  
Next Meeting will be on February 9, 2012



**CITY OF KALAMA  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
JANUARY 12, 2012**

**OPENING**

Chairman Don Mathison opened the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Commissioners present were Jim Hendrickson, Phil Fortuna, Kim Sullivan, Kevin Wade and Michael Schreiber. Commissioner Jeremy Somogye was out of the country. Staff present was Secretary Susan Junnikkala and City Planner Matt Hermen. Members of the audience are listed on the sign-in sheet.

**MINUTES**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Critical Areas Ordinance Code – Comments from the Department of Ecology**

Chairman Mathison asked Planner Hermen to explain the need for an update on the Critical Areas code. Planner Hermen informed the Commission that the Department of Ecology sees the need to update the Critical Areas code as well as the Shoreline Master program. Currently the city goes through Cowlitz County for the Shoreline Master program and the Department of Ecology has informed them that we have to have our own. The Council of Governments has received a grant in the amount of \$50,000 to hire a consultant to prepare a shorelines master plan and to incorporate any changes needed for the Critical Area code. The planning commission will be involved throughout the process and will ultimately make a recommendation to council.

Chairman Mathison asked Planner Hermen as to why our Critical Areas Ordinance needs to be updated along with the Shoreline Master Program. Planner Hermen stated that due to a case law that came up the Department of Ecology realized that the two documents need to work together.

**2. Elect New Chairperson and Co-Chair**

Chairman Mathison asked if the Commission would like to entertain a motion to

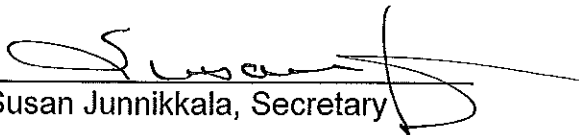
elect a new Chairman. Commissioner Wade made a motion to elect Commissioner Sullivan as the new Chairperson and Don Mathison as the Co-Chair. Commissioner Schreiber seconded the motion and the *motion passed* all in favor.

## STAFF REPORTS

None

## ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Mathison adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:35 p.m. These minutes are not verbatim. They are a general overview of what took place. An audio tape may be made available for listening upon request at City Hall during normal business hours. A video can also be obtained upon request at City Hall during normal business hours.

  
Susan Junnikkala, Secretary