

CITY OF CLE ELUM
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2023 | 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Commissioner Berndt called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Commissioners present; Gary Berndt (chair), Colonel Paul Kantwill, Colin Brissey and Ian Steele. Commissioner Kantwill made a motion to mark Elizabeth Torrey and Commissioner Fluegge excused, Commissioner Brissey seconded. Motion carries.

Also in attendance, Planning Consultant Colleda Monick.

2. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items (limited to 5 minutes)

None.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Commissioner Kantwill motioned to accept the minutes of August 1, 2023, as presented and with no corrections, Commissioner Brissey seconded. Motion passed.

4. Public Hearing

None Scheduled

5. Staff Report

a. Update from Chair Berndt

b. Update from Planning Consultant Colleda Monick: Joint planning discussion w/ the county: met w/ the Mayor and Mark Cook at the end of August. The big take aways include discussion regarding a joint long-range planner for Kittitas County, Traffic Impact Planning – including the county’s interest in obtaining 903 from WSDOT, Fire Evacuation Route Planning; and Brown Fields Clean Up.
Commission/Hess/Mayor letter to send out to the community- follow up with Chair.

6. New Business

a. Sign Code – Review redline version and discussion.

b. Critical Areas Ordinance. Planning Consultant Monick shared an update requesting Commission input on bringing the CAO/BAS that was presented by AHBL/Herra in 2021 forward to Council. Noting that the documents were recently reviewed again by the Department of Ecology who approved the documents.

Commissioner Brissey made a motion to forward the existing documentation [CAO/BAS presented in 2021] with the minor 2023 changes recommended by the Department of Ecology, and present the Planning Commissions recommendation that council adopt. Commissioner Kantwill seconded. Motion carried.

7. Next Meeting Agenda Development:

a. Planning Matrix

b. Zero Lot Line Code Amendment discussion

8. Commissioner Comments and Discussion

None.

9. Adjournment

Commissioner Berndt called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Brissey motioned and Commissioner Kantwill seconded to adjourn the meeting. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 3, 2023, at 6 p.m.