

MINUTES

ADAMS COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

February 18, 2019, Adams County Courthouse

7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Joe Warner, Mark Peterson, Al Becker; Julie Burkhardt & Dennis Nau (via teleconference)

Members Absent: Royce Bauer

Others Present: Kip Kammerdula; Jeff Batten, Southwest District Health; Sue Edmunson, Deeds Processor; P&Z Administrator Wendy Green

Public Present: None

1. **Call to Order:** Vice-Chairman Joe Warner called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.
2. **Review Agenda:** Agenda was approved as presented.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the January 21, 2019 regular meeting were approved as presented.
4. **New Business:** Sue Edmunson, deeds processor and GIS specialist in the assessor's office, gave a presentation on how to use Idaho Parcel Maps. She began by reminding commissioners that maps are only a representation of where a parcel is located. Only the legal description tells where a parcel is located on the earth. Sue showed commissioners how to find fire history, subdivisions, and other data layers. She noted that she is working with county road and bridge to update our county roads layer, including correcting erroneous, missing or inconsistent road names, as well as correctly mapping the railroad/rails to trails. Al Becker asked about the width of county roads and easements. Such data may not have been recorded for the older roads in the county. Another GIS project involves working with the building department to map the location of building permits issued in the last couple of years so the commission and others can see where growth is occurring. She showed the Valley County map to illustrate the variety of information that can be displayed. Al asked if there is a map of riparian areas in the county. Jeff Batten suggested that having the floodplain and floodway data would be helpful to the commission. He added that Southwest District Health now records GPS coordinates for new septic systems, and that data will become available to the county. Dennis Nau asked what is known about the availability of groundwater in Adams County. Julie Burkhardt mentioned that there should be data available on irrigation district boundaries and water delivery systems. Discussion followed about where to find data on groundwater and how to protect the quality and quantity of water in Adams County as population and development increase. Sue suggested that Wilma Robertson, the GIS specialist at Idaho Department of Water Resources, may be able to provide useful information.

The commissioners thanked Sue for her presentation. Wendy Green will follow up with Sue and IDWR to gather data commissioners want for planning and zoning.

The commission discussed options for gathering input for updating the comprehensive plan. Burkhardt related a lengthy discussion she had with a recently-retired planning and zoning commissioner in Owyhee County. They face some of the same challenges as Adams County, being a rural, agricultural county that is close to the population center in the Treasure Valley and is experiencing changes in population and culture. Wendy will talk with Owyhee P&Z Administrator Mary Huff about how they went about updating their comp. plan.

5. Upcoming Meetings:

Next Regular Meeting: March 18, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.;

There will be a public hearing for the Shelton Variance application at 7:30, a hearing on the Eby Conditional Use Permit at 8:00, and a hearing on the Goose Creek Planned Unit Development at 8:20 p.m. on that date.

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.


Chairman

Date 3/18/19