



COUNTY OF PLUMAS

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

DATE: October 5, 2023
TIME: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Plumas County Courthouse Building
Board of Supervisors Chambers
Room 308
520 Main Street
Quincy, CA 95971

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Note: A majority of the Board of Supervisors may be present and may participate in discussion.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Jack Montgomery, Charles Leonhardt, Harvey West, Moorea Hoffman Stout

Absent: Chris Spencer

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

At this time, the public has the opportunity to address the Commission concerning any item of interest not listed on this agenda. The Commission may not discuss or take any action on any item presented during the public comment period that is not on the agenda. The Commission may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by members of the public. Upon recognition by the Chairman, please state your name, county of residence, and subject matter. Discussion of any non-agenda items will be limited to three (3) minutes or such reasonable time as is granted by the majority of the Commission.

None



V. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Items to be continued or withdrawn from the agenda

None

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2023

Motion: *Approval of Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2023*

Moved by *Jack Montgomery, Seconded by Charles Leonhardt*

Vote: *Motion carried.*

Yes: *Stout, Montgomery, Leonhardt*

Absent: *Hoffman Stout, Harvey West*

VI. 2021 WILDFIRES LONG-TERM RECOVERY PLAN STANDING UPDATE

Tracey Ferguson, Planning Director, gave an update on the Dixie and Beckwourth Fire recovery phase and stated the following:

- *She stated that the public review draft Long-Term Recovery Plan should be released this October, and that adoption by the County Board of Supervisors may occur December 2023-January 2024.*
- *She read aloud the community-preferred long-term recovery vision and recovery values of the Long-Term Recovery Plan.*
- *The County's long-term recovery plan website is a resource for recovery information and updates.*

Commissioner Moorea Hoffman Stout stated that there are mental health services available to wildfire survivors. Up to 3 free sessions as of now, more funding is being pursued. Commissioner Hoffman Stout welcomes Patrick Joseph, who has been hired for a 2-year term as the Dixie Fire Collaborative Coordinator for Long Term Recovery and (Re)build. Continuing, Commissioner Hoffman Stout stated Sue Weber, Dixie Fire Collaborative Chair, will be stepping back but will still be very active in writing recovery grants.

Commissioner Moorea Hoffman Stout inquired as to the County's grant writer assisting with recovery. Ferguson stated his name is Zachary Gately.

VII. PLANNING COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS/COMMENTS

Commissioner Montgomery stated that he has been tracking the Indian Valley Community Services District housing initiative and the funding for the initial stages.

Commissioner Jack Montgomery inquired about the available construction and trades workforce. Commissioner Moorea Hoffman Stout states that there needs to be better communication with the public and may be a lack of accurate information about the availability of contractors.

Commissioner Hoffman Stout stated that people are waiting for the PG&E settlement, and the amount will influence how and what they want to build.

VIII. REVIEW OF 2035 GENERAL PLAN (Tracey Ferguson, AICP, Planning Director)

A. Conservation and Open Space Element Goals and Policies

Ferguson read aloud the Biological Resources Policies 7.2.4 through 7.2.18, with the following comments by Planning staff:

- *Policy 7.2.4 Stream corridor Development: Stream corridor definition has been flagged for review.*
- *Policy 7.2.6 No net-loss of Wetland Habitats: New development generally achieves no-net-loss of through avoidance.*
- *Policy 7.2.7 Wetland Riparian Habitat Buffers: Buffers are based on habitat and conditions.*

- *Policy 7.2.8 Vehicle and Wildlife Conflicts: Research to be done on how the California Highway Patrol and California Department of Fish and Wildlife handle these situations.*
- *Policy 7.2.9 Wildlife Fencing: Plumas County Code includes wildlife fencing suggestions/recommendations.*
- *Policy 7.2.10 Lake Davis Area: Research to find a map as to where the Lake Davis Deer Fawning Areas is located, in addition to the Lake Davis subunit range.*
- *Policy 7.2.17 Private land management: An example is a conservation easement.*
- *Policy 7.2.18 Inter-Agency Coordination: A question was raised as to an example of a trustee agency.*

IX. WORKSHOP #3 PLUMAS COUNTY CODE, TITLE 9 PLANNING AND ZONING, CAMPING ORDINANCE REVIEW AND DISCUSSION (Tracey Ferguson, AICP, Planning Director)

Ferguson stated Ordinance No. 2023-1148 was passed (4-1) and adopted by the Plumas County Board of Supervisors on June 6, 2023, and the ordinance became effective 30 days from the date of final adoption or July 6, 2023. Commissioner Jack Montgomery inquired about the reasoning behind the one “no” vote. Ferguson stated that it was due to public comments and being restrictive on single-family residential.

Ferguson continued discussions concerning the various camping ordinance aspects to determine next steps in scope of future workshop sessions, including caregiver housing in context of Program 6 of the General Plan Housing Element, employee housing permitted in agricultural zones, tiny homes on wheels as RVs but have discussions about permitting as dwelling units, temporary occupancy of an RV when constructing a dwelling unit with an active building permit, and Hipcamp and Harvest Hosts.

Commissioner West inquired about the definition of caregiver in context of Program 6 of the General Plan Housing Element. Ferguson stated that caregivers could be for individuals or property.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Ferguson noted that the following items would be on future agendas:

- *Workshop #4: Plumas County Code, Title 9 Planning and Zoning, Camping Ordinance Review and Discussion*
- *Continue review of Conservation and Open Space Element Goals and Policies*

XI. ADJOURNMENT to the regular meeting scheduled on October 19, 2023

Motion: Adjourn to the regular meeting scheduled on October 19, 2023

Moved by Hoffman Stout, Seconded by Harvey West

Vote: Motion carried.

Yes: Montgomery, Leonhardt, West, Stout

Absent: Chris Spencer