

M I N U T E S  
February 23, 2023  
ADAMS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

PRESENT: Bob Carlson, Chairman  
Robert Russell  
Mikki Kison  
John Robertson  
Devin Michael - Arrived Late  
Bruce Lynch

TIME: 10:00 A.M.  
PLACE: On-Line & In-Person  
Meeting in the  
Conference Room at  
425 E Main St.  
Othello, WA

OTHERS: Andie Lorenz  
Tammie Fetch  
Kyle Niehenke - Director from ACDC / Economic Development

ABSENT: Michael Andersen

MEETING: Chairman Bob Carlson called the meeting to order at 10:01 am. Roll call was made and everyone was present except Michael Andersen.

AGENDA: Chairman Bob Carlson opened the meeting by asking if anyone wanted to make a motion to accept the agenda for this meeting of the Planning Commission. John Robertson made a motion to accept the agenda. It was seconded by Bruce Lynch. It was approved by all the commission, with zero opposing.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Chairman Bob Carlson then opened the floor for any public comments. At this meeting Randy Hafer was there to make a public comment. He lives at 160 Elbow Rd, Othello, WA. He has some concerns regarding his property located on p/n 2100492320100. He has some suggestions regarding the use of this property. Andie stated that Mr. Hafer has come into the office to discuss this property. Mr. Hafer would like to short plat this particular property that has no agricultural value. There is no agricultural water available for this property. The committee discussed this property and the area around it. The discussion was possibly making this zone one of the smaller properties (possibly 5 acre lots) since the area across the highway are all smaller residential/hobby farming properties. That area across the highway is in Franklin County. Mr. Hafer was invited to come back to a later meeting when the specifics of this zone will be discussed. There were no other public comments.

At this time Kyle Niehenke was introduced to the Board, as the Director of the Adams County Development Council.

MEETING MINUTES: The Chairman continued the meeting by asking if there were any comments or corrections on the minutes from the January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting. There were no corrections or comments by the commission members. John Robertson made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as written. Mikki Kison seconded the motion, and a vote was taken. The Chairman asked for any discussion. There was no further discussion. All of the commission members voted in favor of accepting the minutes with no one opposing.

NEW BUSINESS: Chairman Carlson brought up an issue that needed to be discussed regarding Public Hearing regulations. He stated that when a citizen approaches a Planning Commission member regarding any item up for a Public Hearing outside of the meeting, you need to disclose to the committee during the Public Hearing that there had been a discussion or question by a citizen. RCW 42.36.060 was discussed to clarify what the regulations are.

OLD BUSINESS: Chairman Bob opened the floor up to old business. Andie Lorenz advised the committee that the Public Hearing on the Hatton Re-Zone request with the Commissioners will be held on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 1:30pm.

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairman called for any additional business items. After hearing none, the Chairman then asked for a motion on the adjournment of the meeting to a work-shop to continue the zone change/ update discussion. John Robertson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Devin Michael seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all members approved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 10:37am.

Signed by:

*Bob Carlson*

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Bob Carlson, Chairman

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