

MINUTES

Clallam County Planning Commission

Meeting of October 16, 2022, 6:00 PM

- A. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
- C. ROLL CALL: Members present were Chair Steve Gale, Vice-Chair Ron Long, Bonnie Booth, Jeff Carter, Robert Miller, Ken Reandeau, and Jane Hielman, . Donella Clark, Principal Planner represented staff from the Department of Community Development and Steve Gray, Transportation Planner, was present from the Road Department.
- D. WELCOME: Chair Steve Gale welcomed all in attendance.
- E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 5, 2022
- F. ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.
- G. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: None.
- H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.
- I. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM: Steve Gray provided a presentation of the 6-year TIP and summarized comments from the previous workshop. Public Hearing was open. Ed Bowen provided comment: concerned about the road budget and grants needing seed money for road projects; staff capacity is a growing problem; need a firm agreement between the County and the NGO on the Johnson three culvert project; should analyze and break apart the unfunded Hoko-Ozette 21 miles, more analysis on the shoreline erosion effects of the road at 19.5; consider American 605 money for Mary Clark Road realignment; Airport Road should remove utility pole to allow fanning at intersection. Commissioner Gale asked about loads of dirt used for the levee project and why they are not covered and who owns the gravel pit being used; DCD staff stated they would ask the project manager of the project to talk with the contractor about tarping the loads.
- J. WORK SESSION ITEMS: Continued discussion on Sign Code, specifically enforcement and standards. Staff is working with legal to get the language appropriate, but the Commissioners thought the enforcement section was moving in the right direction. The 30 day to correct seemed too quick and fines should remain separate for residential and commercial signs. Commission brought up the idea of having conformity of design in the code to enhance a cohesive community. Commission asked staff to consider how to coordinate aesthetic appearance. A suggestion was made that the sign should tie into the architecture of the building, but staff pointed out that not all buildings look good either. Also discussed was the "vehicular signage" section in both the Residential and Commercial section of the existing code. Staff will attempt to reduce this section and make it more clear as to the intention of this section.
- K. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Ed Bowen is concerned about signs in the County that are not in the jurisdiction of the County Code, but are non-conforming to the intent of these codes. Need to use the Comprehensive Plan to get these players at the table to discuss signs and discuss with the community what they expect of signage throughout the County. Can also use the Federal Highway Administration to deal with these non-conforming signs not within the jurisdiction of the County. Also be aware that historic signs qualify for historic preservation.
- L. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at ___7:30___ p.m.