

MINUTES

Clallam County Planning Commission

Meeting of May 6, 2026, 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 Katina Hester, Ken Reandeau, Tom Butler, Warren Billups, and Janice Wilson. Bruce Emery, Director and Donella Clark, Principal Planner, represented staff from the Department of Community Development.
- D. WELCOME: Chair Gale welcomed all in attendance.
- E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Commissioner Hester motioned to approve the minutes and Commissioner Wilson seconded. Motion passed with one abstention.
- F. ANNOUNCEMENTS: DCD is interviewing for a Planner I which we hope to have filled by July.
- G. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Letter was received from Virginia Shogren which was distributed. Virginia Shogren responded in person to Director Emery's memo regarding the irrigation piping. John Worthington spoke regarding the DRMT not being happy about water allocation and how the Dungeness project departed from Jimmycomlately science.
- H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.
- I. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM: None.
- J. WORK SESSION ITEMS: Director Emery went over the memos and the zoning changes. Addition of small-scale resort policy with density limitations. Commissioner Wilson liked the direction. Standards will still need to be written and the use table completed. Ag accessory was discussed and a debate if 15% should be less. Commissioner Billups did not want to see a two acre cap and would like it to align with the RCW's. Master Planned resorts did not have a clear definition in other jurisdictions, but are rather defined by standards. Director Emery attempted a definition. Commissioners went through the Commerce comments and discussed the deficits of the Housing Element, the information provided, clarification of setbacks, and the explanations. Public Works is still working on the transportation portion, identifying projected cost and revenues. Next meeting want to discuss changes to the zoning as it may change the character.
- K. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Kim Williams from the Clallam Conservation District. commented that a moratorium on piping would be out of the authority of the County. Water conveyed is controlled by the water purveyors and land owners do not have rights to the seepage. Virginia Shogren noted that Kim Williams is the manager of the Clallam Conservation District. John Worthington noted that the miles took out of the Dungeness has not helped, the chinook are still on the endangered list.
- L. DISCUSSION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS: Commissioner Butler noted that the irrigation topic is very interesting but appears to be out of the purview of the Planning Commission and is a matter between Department of Ecology and the land owners. Director Emery commented that water adjudication is under the authority of Department of Ecology. Commissioner Billups restated comments from the last meeting that the County was not involved in permitting.
- M. GOOD OF THE ORDER: None.
- N. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at __8:12 p.m.__