

**JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION  
CITY OF EMMETT / GEM COUNTY  
SUMMARY MINUTES**

**April 19, 2010  
City Hall  
9:00 A.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Anita Hendrix, Rick Weekly, Travis Madsen and Debbie Rouwenhorst.

**MEMBERS ABSENT WITH PRIOR NOTICE:** Maria Salazar and Troy Kochner.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Planning Director Brad Hawkins-Clark, City Clerk/Treasurer Marge Lawrence, Board of County Commissioners – Michele Sherrer, Lan Smith and Sharon Pratt.

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman **Hendrix** called the meeting to order at 9:04 A.M.
2. **Review of Agenda:** Chairman **Hendrix** stated that Commissioner Kochner has resigned from the Commission.
3. **Approval of Minutes of March 15, 2010:** A motion was made by Commissioner **Rouwenhorst** and seconded by Commissioner **Weekly** to **accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.**
4. **New Business:**
  - a. **Access Management Presentation:**

County Commissioner Lan Smith reviewed the Access Management Presentation with the Planning Commission regarding the management of access points on major arterials in order to limit roadway conflict. The presentation was an overview of why access management makes a world of difference in both collisions on our highways and the level of services we can provide. Lan stated that a lot of money is put towards transportation infrastructure. If this is done right, more businesses would be available per acre versus putting in driveways everywhere.
5. **Unfinished Business:**
  - a. **Master Pathway Plan Discussion:** Commissioner **Rouwenhorst** stated that she met with the County Zoning Commission and they seemed very interested in this plan. She stated that they discussed the standards for the designated bike paths and they were supportive of that as well. The Commission discussed what chapter to include the pathway policies and where in the County the pathways should be located.

- b. **Discussion/Review of Public Facilities Chapter (Ch. 9):** Commissioner **Weekly** stated that Brad's office had provided a draft of facilities and the next step would be to plug in those addresses into the matrix to get input from the Commission at the next meeting. He stated that once they begin to strategize, there will probably be several facilities that have duplicate functions that can be combined as one. He spoke about tax exempt public properties and how it affects the tax payers and suggested adding a statement in this chapter about the revenues.
- c. **Discussion/review of Transportation Chapter (Ch. 10):** Commissioner **Madsen** handed out a draft of the chapter and the Commission discussed the photos that are included in the chapter, access points, landscaping, railways, aviation, creating a highway district and adding a statement about the master pathway plan. Discussion will continue next meeting. Chairman **Hendrix** will get a hold of the Recreation District Board and invite them to attend the next meeting.
- d. **Discussion /Review of Natural Resources and Hazardous Areas Chapter (Ch.6):** Chairman **Hendrix** suggested that this chapter be discussed at a separate meeting so it can get a lot of discussion because the chapter keeps growing. She discussed getting rid of the existing tables in the chapter and creating one table for hazardous areas and another table for protected natural resources or something similar. The Commission discussed creating levels of hazard. Chairman **Hendrix** will get an updated draft to everyone. The Commission will hold a workshop on this chapter on Tuesday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M. at the Development Services Office.

6. **Items from Planning Director:** None.

7. **Items from Planning Commission:** None.

8. **Upcoming Meetings:** Next meeting is May 17, 2010 at 9:00 A.M.

9. **Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner **Weekly**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Rouwenhorst**. **Motion carried.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.**

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Chairman Anita Hendrix

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Clerk Marge Lawrence