

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

**May 17, 2010  
City Hall  
9:00 A.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Anita Hendrix, Maria Salazar, Rick Weekly, and Debbie Rouwenhorst.

**MEMBERS ABSENT WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE:** Travis Madsen.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Planning Director Brad Hawkins-Clark, Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Chrystal Alsup.

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** None

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman **Hendrix** called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.
2. **Review of Agenda:** A motion was made by Commissioner **Rouwenhorst** to **approve the agenda**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Salazar**. **Motion carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes of April 19, 2010:** A motion was made by Commissioner **Rouwenhorst** and seconded by Commissioner **Weekly** to **accept the minutes as presented**. **Motion carried.**
4. **New Business:** None.
5. **Unfinished Business:**
  - a. **Master Pathway Plan Discussion:** The Planning Commission's recommendations of contiguous pathways and the bicycle pathways need to have standards. Discussion occurred at length concerning the Planning Commission's role in reviewing ordinances and making comments. Chairman **Hendrix** said the Planning Commission's concerns with ordinances are to review them and verify that they match the Comprehensive Plan. Brad will formally write up the recommendations and take them to the Zoning Commission.
  - b. **Discussion/Review of Public Facilities Chapter (Ch. 9):** Commissioner **Weekly** had nothing to report this month.
  - c. **Discussion/Review of Transportation Chapter Ch. 10):** Moved to the next meeting due to Commissioner **Madsen's** absence.
  - d. **Discussion /Review of Natural Resources and Hazardous Areas Chapter (Ch.6):** A short discussion was held concerning the inclusion of the Source Water Protection Plan in the chapter. The plan is an ongoing update that occurs every five years as part of the City of Emmett's reporting requirements to Idaho

DEQ. Chairman **Hendrix** would like to encourage the County to adopt an overlay map to protect the source water for Emmett's public wells. Commissioner **Rouwenhorst** had a concern as to what "degradation" in section 6.3.1 means. She feels that the definition could vary greatly. Commissioner **Weekly** suggested leaving the word as is and revisiting this section at a later date.

**6. Items from Planning Director:**

- a. Dark Skies Ordinance:** The Zoning Commission requested recommendations from the Planning Commission on the draft Dark Skies Ordinance. To date, there has not been any public input. A question was raised if the ordinance would encompass the entire city limits or just certain areas. Would every resident be required to get a permit to install any lighting on the exterior of their home? The Commission raised other questions and concerns regarding the content but agreed that their role was only to review the ordinance for compliance with the Comprehensive Plan and not analyze the content in detail. The commissioners agreed that the Comprehensive Plan has language that supports the ordinance.
- b. Public Works Lighting Standards:** Item was postponed to the next meeting. Information will be received in the next meeting's packet.
- c. Update on CAFO Ordinance:** The County Commissioners approved the CAFO Ordinance.
- d. Update on Design Review Ordinance:** The Gem County and City of Emmett Zoning Commission's will have their second joint Public Hearing tonight on the proposed Design Review Ordinance.

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

**8. Upcoming Meetings:** A motion was made to cancel June's meeting by Commissioner **Salazar**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Rouwenhorst**. **Motion Carried.** Next meeting is July 19, 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 11:58 a.m.**

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Chairman Anita Hendrix

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Deputy City Clerk Chrystal Alsop