

# Grand County Planning Commission Minutes

October 28, 2009

A regular meeting of the Grand County Planning Commission convened on the above date at 6:00 PM in the Grand County Courthouse, Council Chambers.

**Members Present:** Chair Jean Binyon, Dave Cozzens, Mike Duncan, Dave Stolfa, Ed Bridges, and Kalen Jones. D.L. Taylor was absent.  
Council liaison – Gene Ciarus.

**Others Present:** County staff Krissie Killoy, Mary Hofhine, and Mark Wright and other concerned citizens.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and requested that all cell phones be turned off.

The Chair asked the Commission if there were any conflicts of interest or ex parte communication that needed to be disclosed in regards to the agenda; there were none.

**Public Meeting** – Cougar Canyon Final Plat – located on Wilson Mesa, Floyd Harrell is the applicant.

On October 6<sup>th</sup>, the Grand County Council approved the Cougar Canyon Recreational Subdivision Preliminary Plat subject to conditions.

This application is submitted by Floyd Harrell, Tim Keogh is the applicants agent. The application requests approval of a six lot recreational subdivision to be located off of Sand Flats Road on an existing 77.33 acre parcel. Recreational subdivisions are intended to allow greater design flexibility where there is a reasonable expectation that the resulting lots will have limited, seasonal access. Recreation subdivisions shall conform with the subdivision standards of Article 7 where appropriate and at the discretion of the Planning Commission.

The final plat meets the requirements of the code including the conditions from preliminary plat review.

The Chair asked the Tim Keogh, agent for the applicant if he would like to make a presentation, Mr. Keogh did not and the Chair entertained a motion by the Commission.

Mike Duncan moved to recommend approval to the County Council. Dave Stolfa seconded and all voted in favor.

**Introduction of the Administrator** - Melinda Brimhall was introduced to the Planning Commission and explained where she has worked and what her plans for the future are.

The Chair welcomed Ms. Brimhall and thanked her for coming to the meeting.

**Interviews of the Planning Commission Applicants** - Consideration and recommendations for potential Planning Commission members, the seats that will be vacated this year are Jean Binyon, D.L. Taylor, and Ed Bridges.

The Chair explained the process for interviews. The applicants were put in a random order for interviewing the two members that are not available will not be interviewed, but the Commission has the applications.

Each applicant will have three minutes to present themselves and then the members of the Commission will ask one question if they wish.

The applicants were interviewed in the following order;

- 1) Duval King; 2) Pam Hackley; 3) Randy Day; 4) Ed Bridges; 5) Julianne Fitzgerald; 6) Bill Love;  
7) Jeremy McElhaney; 8) Jack Campbell; 9) David Tubbs; 10) Emily Niehaus –  
Applicants not in attendance are; 11) Lance Christie 12) Ron Flanders – these applicants will be considered by the merits of their applications.

The Chair explained that the Commission was to vote for as many of the 12 applicant as they want and the vote will be by the raising of hands. Ed Bridges will not vote.

Dave Cozzens moved to postpone the voting until D.L. Taylor was in attendance. Motion died for lack of a second.

The Chair called each person's name and the Commission voted. The top five applicants by votes of the Commission for consideration will be forwarded to the Council in alphabetical order.

The top five are as follows;

Pam Hackley,  
Ed Bridges,  
David Tubbs,  
Lance Christie, and  
Jack Campbell.

The Chair thanked the applicants for their time and consideration.

### **General Plan Presentation**

An informal presentation provided by Richard Grice and Steve Mullen. The Chair introduced Richard Grice and asked that he make his presentation. This presentation was to inform the Commission on the best practices regarding the writing of a General Plan and Future Land Use Plan. The presentation included the state of the art planning tools and how to process through a General Plan. Much of what was offered is

**Minutes** - The October 14<sup>th</sup> minutes were passed out at the meeting and will be reviewed at the November meeting.

**Community Development Update** – The Affordable Housing Plan will be on the next Council agenda for approval. An ordinance establishing a temporary moratorium on production water facilities will be reviewed by the Council at their next meeting

**County Council Update** – Mr. Ciarus reported that the Council will be considering a moratorium on waste water facilities until we can get a code amendment drafted. The public hearing on the Affordable Housing Plan was before the Council at their last meeting.

With no other items on the Agenda the Vice Chair called for adjournment.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.