

**City of Buckley**  
**Planning Commission Minutes**  
**November 4, 2013**

Chairperson Helmer called meeting to order at 7:04 PM. The following members were present: Callis, Harris, Howse and Wink. Also in attendance was City Planner Thompson.

**Harris moved to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2013 and October 21, 2013 commission meetings. Callis seconded the motion.** Harris had one correction on the minutes of October 7, 2013 under the park plan the words and & that should be reversed. **The motion then carried with the corrections as discussed.**

#### **Schedule Joint Session with City Council**

Thompson stated that the City Council is looking to have a joint meeting with the Planning Commission sometime in January. The reason for the meeting is to update the Council on what is going on with the Planning Commission. Helmer stated he felt it would be a good idea for the City Council to come up with a meeting date and time being they have a busier schedule than we do. Thompson stated she would take care of scheduling the meeting for either a Monday or Tuesday night.

#### **Marijuana Ordinance**

Thompson stated there is information from the AWC conference in the notebook; this was a power point presentation that was given at the conference. This morning she copied a bunch of information from MRSC. What we need to do in the near future is start working on an ordinance that sites recreational marijuana dispensaries and grow operations in the zoning ordinance. The rules are complete and as of December 1, 2013 the State will start accepting applications and issuing producer, processor and retail licenses. The MRSC website is a great place to go to get additional information regarding this issue. Medical marijuana will be different than recreational marijuana; she discovered that a week ago, the State is still talking about medical marijuana not being allowed within these regulations. Our issue is land use and zoning. Thompson stated 502 provides for a 1,000 foot buffer separation between marijuana businesses and designated schools, playgrounds, recreation centers or facilities, child care centers, public parks, public transit center, library or arcade. Thompson showed a map of the city that shows all the separations that would be affected. Discussion ensued.

## Comprehensive Statistics for Comprehensive Plan Review

Thompson stated in your books is a memo from her talking about statistics for the upcoming update, it can be used for parks or housing or actually all the elements. She then went over all the statistics she provided the commission.

### Park Plan

Recreation Director Ellen Boyd stated one of the things we need to identify is the priority in which we look to either build capital facilities or require land. We sent out a survey a couple months ago and she provided the commission with the results from the survey. The commission discussed the results of the survey and identified the top items that are realistic for funding in the next three years. There was a long discussion regarding what is the highest priority, after discussion the commission agreed that the top priorities will be the trail, flume trail, pet friendly parks, and covered pavilion at the youth center. The intention is to compile all this information and get a draft copy of the Park Plan on the website by Friday.

### New/Old Business

We are still on track with the Public Participation Plan for the Comprehensive Plan updates. We will be working on the Housing Element in January. Callis has offered to help with the Housing Element, we will have an open house on the Economic Development Element and the Engineers will be reviewing and working on the Utilities Element.

### Next Meetings

The next meeting will be November 18, 2013 at 7:00 PM. We will be changing the second meeting in January due to the Holiday to January 27 and then hold the meetings in February and March on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday's going back to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday's in April.

**Callis moved to adjourn the meeting. Harris seconded the motion and the motion carried.**

With nothing further the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 PM.



Chuck Helmer, Chairperson