

City of Buckley
Planning Commission Minutes
August 31, 2015

Vice-Chairperson Harris called meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The following members were present: Hall, Helmer and Beatty. Also in attendance was City Planner Thompson.

Beatty stated there was one typo correction under new/old business it should be here not her. Hall stated the date of the next meeting should be August 31st. **Beatty moved to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2015 Commission meeting with corrections. Hall seconded the motion and the motion carried.**

Public Hearing - Marijuana Ordinance

Thompson gave a power point presentation and overview of the marijuana ordinance that is being presented.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:19 PM.

Tom Halkjar, 192 So McNeely St, he had a question as to where and what is allowed in each zone. Thompson gave the audience information for all zones. Mr. Halkjar asked if the Council now needs to approve this and can it be changed. Thompson explained how the process works.

Doug West, Mr. Bill's of Buckley a recreational retail store, 29297 Highway #410 E. He has some more information regarding the Senate Bill's. It is going to be very hard for growers to come in. They have had minimal impact on the neighborhood crime wise and they keep things very strict. The collective gardening regulations are very strict.

Beau Burkett, 1739 Collins Rd, what he would ask the Commission to at least look at is an outright ban for growing and processing in R-8000 and R-20,000. He doesn't think this is a good place for it.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:30 PM.

New/Old Business

Schedule October/November meetings: It was the Commission consensus to keep the meetings in October and November for the 1st and 3rd Mondays.

Council study sessions and zoning map: Thompson informed the Commission on the discussion that the Council has had regarding the zoning maps. Helmer asked if there has been any discussion on the sensitive zones. Thompson stated once it was understood that they would need to hire professionals to go out and do studies they decided it can wait.

Helmer stated the Council has a formal plan for any citizen to speak at the Council meetings, when you go to a committee meeting they offer the chance for a visitor to speak at the end of the meeting. We as a Planning Commission don't have that, he is wondering if we need to set up some kind of a public input section within our agenda. Harris asked what other cities do? Thompson stated she has never heard of a Planning Commission doing this. Helmer stated he will check with Sumner and report back on this.

The next meeting will be September 14, 2015 at 7:00 PM

Helmer moved to adjourn the meeting. Beatty seconded the motion and the motion carried.

With nothing further the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.



Laverne Harris, Vice-Chairperson