

TOWN OF LA CONNER
PLANNING COMMISSION ZOOM MEETING
July 21, 2020

The Planning Commission meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

Present via Zoom were commissioners Bruce Bradburn, Marna Hanneman, Carol Hedlin, Linda Talman, Liz Theaker, and Planning Director Marianne Manville-Ailles.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Bradburn moved to approve the February 18, 2020 minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Talman. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Hanneman moved to approve the March 3, 2020 minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Talman. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Bradburn moved to approve the June 18, 2020 minutes. Seconded by Talman. Motion carried 4-0.

Note that Commissioner Hedlin arrived after the minutes had been approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- *SMP Gap Analysis*

There was discussion on the following topics:

- The definition of 'liveaboard' and what this means for people living on boats in La Conner.
- Aquaculture – should it be permitted or prohibited?
- *Increased Density for Design Guidelines discussion*

Planner Marianne Manville-Ailles gave a recap of what had been discussed at the previous commission meeting regarding creating additional design guidelines for planned unit residential developments which would provide a housing density bonus. This would replace the senior housing density bonus that is currently in the code. The commission requested information on cottage housing, including Coopeville and Quimper Village in Port Townsend.

There was discussion on the following topics:

- Requiring developers to provide a mix of housing types for multifamily housing
- Differentiation for attached multifamily housing

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

CLOSING COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hanneman asked if there is anything that can be done about the unsightly proliferation of political campaign signs on the roundabout at the entrance of town. Commissioner Bradburn said that due to the roundabout being county property, the town has no jurisdiction. However, Marianne mentioned that there is consideration of annexing the treatment plant, and if this happened, the roundabout would also be acquired and the town could then regulate it. She also said that the county has a place for public comment, so the planning commissioners can write to the county commissioners and present their complaint. Commissioner Theaker suggested getting the Chamber of Commerce to write a letter as well. Marianne said if the signs are still up after the primaries, she'll request a letter from the mayor to the county asking for removal.

Commissioner Talman said that at the last Non-Motorized Action Committee meeting, they asked where the town is at with the transportation element update. Marianne said that she got a very rough draft back from the consultants and is working on getting it ready to bring to the commission. The update has to be completed by the end of the year.

With no further business Commissioner Bradburn moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Hedlin. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair

Date