

YACHATS PLANNING COMMISSION

March 20, 2018

Approved Minutes

Chair Helen Anderson called the March 20, 2018 meeting of the Yachats Planning Commission to order at 3:06 pm in the Room 1 of the Yachats Commons. Members present: Ron Urban, Helen Anderson, Shelly Shrock, Ginny Hafner, Christine Orchard, Mary Ellen O'Shaughnessey, and James Kerti. Absent: Planner Larry Lewis. Audience: 0.

I. Announcements and Correspondence

II. Minutes

A. February 27, 2018 Work Session Meeting

Footer: should be February 27, not March 16

Absent: Kerti was absent, Hafner was present

Shrock moved to approve the February 27, 2018 Planning Commission work session minutes as amended: Aye - 6; No - 0; Abstain - 1. (Orchard absent)

B. February 27, 2018 Work Session

Footer: should be February 27, not March 16

Footer: should be regular meeting, not work session

Page 1, Line 38: Kerti was absent, Hafner was present

Page 1, Line 44: Kerti was absent, Hafner was present

Page 1, Line 41: sentence starting with "Urban moved" should be deleted

Page 2, Line 7: "copes" should be "copies"

Urban moved to approve the February 27, 2018 Planning Commission work session minutes as amended: Aye 6; No - 0; Abstain - 1. (Orchard absent)

III. Citizen's Concerns - none

IV. Planner's Report – postponed to next meeting

V. Other Business

A. From the Commission

Anderson reviewed the current five criteria that are required to be met to grant a variance. She noted the State provides guidance on variance criteria, but it is up to the jurisdiction to identify its criteria. The State stipulates, "The land subject to the exception is irrevocably committed to uses not allowed by the applicable goal because existing adjacent uses and other relevant factors make uses allowed by the applicable goal impracticable" [Oregon Goal 2, Part II – Exemptions, item (a)]. Anderson reported that other jurisdictions often have different variance criteria for different land use issues.

Orchard and Hafner noted that they did not want to change the existing Yachats criteria. Orchard emphasized that the existing criteria are very hard to meet, and therefore it is imprudent to suggest property owners can easily get variances for their particular situations. Commissioners discussed examples of how applicants could apply the criteria to their special situation.

B. From Staff – none

1 Anderson adjourned the meeting at 3:21 pm.

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Helen Anderson, Chair

Date

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8 Minutes prepared by H H Anderson on April 12, 2018.

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