

**TOWN OF YARROW POINT  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
June 17, 2019**

The following is a condensation of the proceedings and is not a verbatim transcript.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Amy Pellegrini, Planning Commission Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

Chairperson:	Amy Pellegrini
Commissioners:	Trevor Dash Chuck Hirsch – Excused absence Carl Hellings Jennifer Whittier
Staff:	Austen Wilcox – Town Deputy Clerk Mona Green – Town Planner
Guests:	Mike Sekins - Resident Judy Greenstein – Resident

**APPEARANCES:**

None.

**MINUTES:**

May 20, 2019 Regular Meeting

**MOTION:** Commissioner Dash moved to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2019 Regular Meeting as presented. Commissioner Hellings seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** 4 For, 0 Against. Motion carried.

**STAFF REPORTS:**

Town staff gave a report on the May 12 Council meeting including updates to the following:

- 2020-2026 Capital Improvement & Transportation Improvement Plan
- Playground project update
- Approval of King County Solid Waste Comprehensive Plan Resolution
- Future maintenance/community improvement discussions about Town Hall
- Installation of a second radar sign
- Approval of a resolution authorizing the contribution of Town funding to the Points 4<sup>th</sup> Community Association

The Commission discussed milfoil spraying along the shoreline organized by the Yarrow Point Waterfront Association.

**REGULAR BUSINESS:**

**PCAB 19-08 Shoreline Master Program Update Review, Public Hearing**

A public hearing is required to move the Town's 2017 Shoreline Master Program (SMP) into compliance with state regulations. Over the course of the past year, the Planning Commission has reviewed the SMP and determined that no amendments are required at this time. Following the Hearing, the Planning Commission will move this matter forward to the Town Council for their public hearing in July, at which time a resolution will be reviewed reiterating the Planning Commission conclusions.

Commission Chair Pellegrini opened the public hearing at 7:20 p.m.

No comments.

Commission Chair Pellegrini closed the public hearing at 7:21 p.m.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Dash moved to forward Shoreline Master Program Update Review to Council. Commissioner Hellings seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** 4 For, 0 Against. Motion carried.

**PCAB 19-09 Continued Tree Code Discussion**

The Planning Commission reviewed tree codes and supplements from the following neighboring jurisdictions along with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife protection.

- City of Medina
- City of Kirkland
- Town of Hunts Point
- Beaux Arts Village

Each municipality has taken a different approach to the removal/retention/replacement of "significant" trees.

The Commission reviewed a town tree canopy study from 2017.

Commission Chair Pellegrini opened the public comment period at 7:35 p.m.

Mike Sekins resident at 8808 NE Points Drive referenced a problem tree on his neighbor's property that is dead and posing a hazard. He is having trouble contacting the homeowner and requested input from the Planning Commission on how to handle the situation. Town Planner Green stated that the Town does not get involved in private property matters.

Judy Greenstein resident at 4664 95<sup>th</sup> Ave NE is in support of guidelines preserving tree canopy and wildlife. Ms. Greenstein stated there is an importance to preserving trees and suggested potential guidelines. Views should be taken into consideration. Ms. Greenstein

thanked the Commission for their review while also suggesting regulations be put into place for trees during the interim before a tree code should officially be adopted.

Commission Chair Pellegrini reiterated that the Commission has been listening to public comment, wants to respect property rights, and maintain the character of the Town in their review of potential tree code regulations.

The commissioners are going to review the tree codes from nearby jurisdictions, highlight areas in particular they favor, and discuss them at their upcoming regular July 9 meeting.

Chair Pellegrini closed the public comment period at 8:32 p.m.

The Planning Commission will not meet in August.

ADJOURNMENT:


**MOTION:** Commissioner Dash moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. Commissioner Hellings seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** 4 For, 0 Against. Motion carried.

APPROVED:

  
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Carl Hellings, Substitute Chairperson

ATTEST:

  
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Austen Wilcox, Deputy Clerk