

**TOWN OF YARROW POINT
PLANNING COMMISSION (TELECONFERENCE) MEETING MINUTES
March 15, 2021**

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

CALL TO ORDER:

Carl Hellings Planning Commission Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

PRESENT:

Chairman: Carl Hellings
Commissioners: Trevor Dash
Chuck Hirsch
Jennifer Whittier
David Feller

Staff: Austen Wilcox – Town Deputy Clerk
Mona Green – Town Planner

Guests: Debbie Prudden - Resident

APPEARANCES:

The Commission discussed an email from resident Jennifer Crowell at 3624 92nd Ave NE who sent a link to the Town on 2-26-2021 regarding 5G cell tower information and requested to have it forwarded to the Council and Planning Commission.

MINUTES:

Minutes of February 16, 2021 Special Meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Hirsch moved to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2021 special meeting as presented. Commissioner Dash seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4 For, 0 Against, 1 Abstained. Motion carried.

Planning Commissioner Feller abstained as he was not present at the February special meeting.

STAFF REPORTS:

Town staff gave a report of the March 9 Council meeting. Construction related ROW construction parking was the primary topic.

- A petition was submitted to the town for “immediate action” for enforcement of existing code for ROW construction parking.
- Resident testimony was heard.
- The Council reviewed and discussed proposed solutions such as requiring workers to be shuttled to and from job sites from an offsite location. Mayor Cahill is exploring the option utilizing a local church parking lot option.
- The Council received updates on various Town related ROW projects.

- The Council discussed the storage of materials for Town related ROW projects. The Council requested that materials be stored offsite until they are needed.
- A proclamation was read for former Planning Commissioner Amy Pellegrini honoring her longtime role on the Planning Commission.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

PCAB 21-03 Continued tree code discussion

Chairman Hellings recapped the discussion from the February special Planning Commission meeting noting they left off on the topic of tree replacement ratios based on lot size.

The Commission discussed:

- Tree density.
- Replacement tree strategy.
- Property rights.
- Informal private property tree survey done in February to gain a basic understanding of trees on private properties.
- Views.

They discussed the requirement of replacement trees per lot square footages. The Commission debated different formulas and also if a tree code is really needed in the Town. The Planning Commission was not unanimous in this discussion, however, the general consensus was that 1 replacement tree per 5000sqft is a fair balance.

They discussed presenting an update to Council on their research and discussions. Staff will put the Planning Commission on an upcoming Council meeting agenda. Chairman Hellings will write a memo to the Council and provide it to the Planning Commission for review prior to the Council meeting.

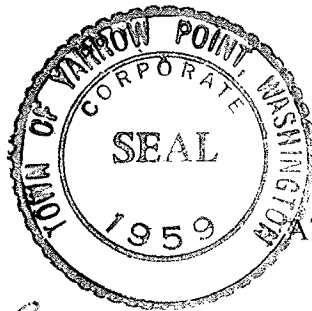
Resident Debbie Prudden at 3805 94th Ave NE thanked the Commission for their efforts researching a tree code.

Commissioner Whittier left the meeting at 8:54pm.


ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Commissioner Feller moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55pm. Commissioner Dash seconded the motion.

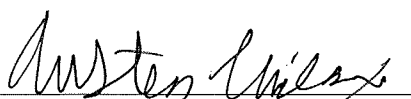
VOTE: 4 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.



APPROVED:


 Carl Hellings, Chairman

ATTEST:


 Austen Wilcox, Deputy Clerk