

**JACKSON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
PUBLIC MEETING**

February 12, 2009

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Reeve Hennion, Commissioner Richard Thierolf, Jr. ,
Commissioner Don Greene, Commissioner Tani Wouters and
Commissioner Joel Ockunzzi.

GUESTS PRESENT: Jay Harland and Mike Savage, CSA Planning Ltd, Mike Kuntz, and
3 other guests

STAFF PRESENT: Susan Lee, Planning Director; Tracie Nickel, Planner; Mike Mattson,
Planner; Kim Saltonstall, Office Assistant.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Reeve Hennion at 9:03 a.m. The roll was called.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Commissioner Richard Thierolf and seconded by Commissioner Don Greene to approve the December 11, 2008 meeting minutes. The motion was approved by a unanimous "Aye" vote.

POTENTIAL BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

A motion was made by Commissioner Richard Thierolf and seconded by Commissioner Don Green to elect Reeve Hennion as Chair of the Jackson County Planning Commission for the ensuing year. The motion was approved by a unanimous "Aye" vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Richard Thierolf and seconded by Commissioner Tani Wouters to elect Don Greene as Vice Chair of the Jackson County Planning Commission for the ensuing year. The motion was approved by a unanimous "Aye" vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Joel Ockunzzi and seconded by Commissioner Reeve Hennion to elect Tani Wouters as Secretary of the Jackson County Planning Commission for the ensuing year. The motion was approved by a unanimous "Aye" vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: LRP2005-00004 (Cox) Recommendation for Denial to the Board of Commissioners.

Mike Mattson presented 2 small changes to his staff report and asked the Commissioners for their recommendation to deny the application.

The Commissioners discussed the recommendation with Mike Mattson, who answered their questions.

A motion was made by Commissioner Don Greene and seconded by Commissioner Richard Thierolf, to deny the application, File LRP2005-00004, with the amendments discussed at this meeting, and to further direct staff to prepare a Recommendation for Denial to be forwarded to the Board of Commissioners (BOC) for their consideration. The vote was as follows:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Don Greene	X		
Joel Ockunzzi	X		
Richard Thierolf			X
Tani Wouters	X		
Reeve Hennion	X		

NEW BUSINESS: CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING - LRP2006-00013; AVENUE G
Consideration of an application for a minor comprehensive plan map amendment. The applicant is Jackson County Roads. The proposed map amendment reflects an administrative change to the County's Natural Area Inventory map for the Ken Denman Wildlife Area, a State owned and managed natural area. The update reflects the ownership changes to the Denman Wildlife Area including an area known as Hoover Ponds (T36 R1W 21C 3800, T36 R1W 22C 1000, T36 R1W 21D 2800). Currently, the State and County are swapping two small acreages to accommodate the Avenue G realignment project (T36 R2W 13 1200 and T36 R2W 12 400). The Avenue G realignment project involves a realignment of the road at Pacific Avenue and Kirtland Road; the northwest corner of this intersection is currently part of the Denman Wildlife Area. The land exchange adds wildlife habitat along the Rogue River. File LRP2006-00013.

Tracie Nickel presented the staff report.

Commissioner Thierolf asked for clarification about the location of the proposed lands. The Commissioners also held general discussion about the change and manner of protections offered by Jackson County and/or the State of Oregon if the application is approved.

The Public Hearing was opened at 9:39 a.m.

Jay Harland, CSA Planning Ltd, 4497 Brownridge Terr Ste. 101, Medford - Jay presented an overview of the history of this application and further described its' purpose.

Vince Oredson, Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife - Mr. Oredson stated that ODF&W had no objections to the proposal and that no changes would be made to the public's access to the land.

The Public Hearing was closed at 9:50 a.m.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Don Greene and seconded by Commissioner Richard Thierolf to continue deliberations of LRP2006-00013 to Thursday, February 26, 2009. The motion was approved by a unanimous "Aye" vote.

BUSINESS FROM THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: Susan updated the Commissioners on the status of the LDO Text Amendment application.

BUSINESS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS: Commissioner Thierolf asked about the status of the Circle of Teran application. Susan advised the Commissioners that the County intended to appeal LUBA's decision.

BUSINESS FROM THE PLANNING DIVISION: Susan updated the Commissioners about the Energy Forum held at the end of January.

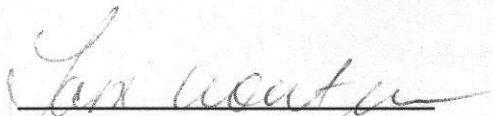
Don Greene and Joel Ockunzzi presented a positive overview of the presentation.

Reeve Hennion and Don Greene expressed appreciation for Susan Lee's strong leadership during her tenure here at the County. Joel also expressed his thanks for her helpfulness and positive participation. Tani and Dick agreed that everything said was inadequate to express their combined appreciation for a job well done.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 26, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

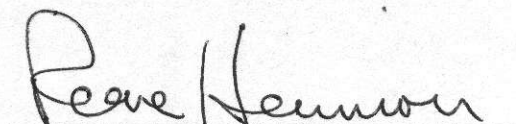
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at am.

Respectfully submitted,


Tani Wouters, Secretary


Kim Saltonstall, Recording Clerk

Approved this 26th day of March, 2008.
JACKSON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION


Reeve Hennion, Chair