



Community Development Department

## Planning Commission Minutes

April 16, 2014 Regular Scheduled Meeting  
City of Bonney Lake Council Chambers

APPROVED

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M.

### **Planning Commission Present**

Grant Sulham, **Chair**  
L. Winona Jacobsen, **Vice-Chair**  
Brad Doll  
Dennis Poulsen  
Dave Baus  
Debbie Strous-Boyd  
Craig Sarver

### **City Staff Present**

Jason Sullivan, Senior Planner  
Debbie McDonald, Commission Clerk

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER DOLL AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BAUS TO EXCUSE CHAIR SULHAM FROM THE APRIL 2, 2014 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING.**

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### **I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER DOLL AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SARVER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 2, 2014 MEETING.**

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### **II. PUBLIC HEARING: NONE**

### **III. PUBLIC COMMENT AND CONCERNS: NONE**

### **IV. OLD/CONTINUING BUSINESS: NONE**

### **V. NEW BUSINESS:**

#### *Recreational Marijuana Regulation*

Mr. Sullivan discussed the informational packet and how this was just the beginning of the Planning Commission looking at the issue. The Planning Commission has three options to choose from:

1. Adopt Washington State Regulations
2. Adopt Washington State Regulations with Modifications for the City of Bonney Lake
3. Outright Ban

With an outright ban the State Liquor Control Board will still issue a license. They could start a business in the City and then it would be up to the City to site for a code violation and go through the court system. This will be added to the Planning Commission Work Plan to show the State the City is working on the issue.

Commissioner Poulsen asked what Tribes are going to do.

Mr. Sullivan answered he believes that the Yakima Nation is looking at a ban because it is not approved by the Federal Government and there are Federal Treaties in place.

Chair Sulham asked about medical marijuana.

Mr. Sullivan responded that the way the code is written medical marijuana is also banned.

Commissioner Sarver is concerned with grow operations and the odor they omit.

Commissioner Baus asked if the City legalizes marijuana will it affect the ability to get State and Federal grants.

Mr. Sullivan responded he has no clear answer to that since this is unchartered territory

Commissioner Doll would like to tour a retail facility and a grow operation to see what all they entail.

Mr. Sullivan will see if he can find any local grow operations.

Commissioner Strous-Boyd wants to see the City get out in front of the permitting process and create a permit process that is restrictive.

Commissioner Sarver asked how long the moratorium is.

Mr. Sullivan responded the moratorium expires October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Commissioners came to a consensus to present the pros and cons to all three options with the preferred option being #2.

**VI. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

**Correspondence – NONE**

**Staff Comments –** Mr. Sullivan updated Commissioners on the Comp Plan and the community survey that will be up and running in May with an open house on June 4<sup>th</sup>. There will be an upcoming Public Hearing on the zoning for Assisted Living and Nursing Homes. At this time they are combined in the code, would be looking at separating the two into their own categories. Will be adding to the Work Plan discussion of new SEPA rules. The Department of Ecology has their public comment period open for the City of Bonney Lake's Shoreline Master Plan.

**Commissioner Comments – NONE**

**VI. ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY VICE-CHAIR JACOBSEN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BAUS TO ADJOURN.**

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The meeting ended at 7:38 P.M.

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Debbie McDonald, Planning Commission Clerk