



SIERRA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

5/11/2023

Chair: Mike Filippini		Vice Chair: Janet Baldrige
Liz Fisher	James Kelley	Vacant

Location: Sierra County Courthouse | Board of Supervisors Chambers | 100 Courthouse Square | Downieville, CA 95936

This meeting was open to the public for in-person viewing/participation, as well as available via video/teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 10:05am.

Commissioners Present: Mike Filippini, Janet Baldrige, James Kelley, Liz Fisher

Staff Present: Tim Beals, Brandon Pangman, Corri Jimenez, Monica Beachell

Public Present: Supervisor Lila Huer, Carmel Crane, Lisa McCandless, Dae Han

1.1. Appointment of New Officers

1.1.1. Motion to nominate James Kelley as Chair: Filippini/Baldrige. Vote: 3/0

1.1.2. Motion to nominate Liz Fisher as Vice Chair: Baldrige/Filippini. Vote: 3/0

1.1.3. New Chair Addendum: Chair Kelley thanks Commissioner Filippini for his years of service, fairness, and ability to run meetings.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Filippini/Fisher Approved with change of incorrect date on first page:

Vote: 3/0

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3/16/2023 Minutes approved as presented.

Motion: Filippini/Baldrige Approved without changes. Vote: 3/0

4. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

None.

6. WORKSHOPS

- 6.1. Five minute video presentation by NOAA on the proposed reintroduction of Salmon to their historical habitat in the Central Valley, including the North Yuba River. Video presentation is accessible via YouTube at the following link: <https://youtu.be/e4E87HgoSkk>

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 7.1. Sierra Streamside Cabins: Consideration of the renewal of an expired conditional use permit and site plan review for the Sierra Streamside Cabins, formerly known as Camp Yuba RV Park. The proposed project is to continue operating a 7-site RV Park and a duplex log cabin from April 1 to November 15. Besides the renewal of the previous use permit, the applicant is requesting to add two (2) new signs along Highway 49 and a parking lot near the existing house, which has its own use permit in place to operate as a bed & breakfast. The project site, identified as APN 008-050-028, is located at 21791 Highway 49, Downieville. Planning staff's preliminary environmental assessment: exempt under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 (Class1), 15302 (Class 2), and 15311 (Class 11) Categorical Exemptions.

Planner Jimenez presents the staff report, including the introduction of a new condition of approval (number 24), which is obtaining a CalTrans encroachment permit. Expanding the operations would trigger CEQA concerns, so the applicant is seeking to restore the historic use of the property as a Bed & Breakfast with 5 RV sites. Director Beals mentions an administrative remedy that Loganville offers RV dump stations.

Public Hearing formally opened at 11:30am and closed at 11:31am.

Motion to approve Conditional Use Permit subject to the conditions of approval, including #24 addendum: Filippini/Fisher.

Vote: 3/0

8. BUSINESS REQUIRING ACTION OR DISCUSSION

- 8.1. Landline discussion: Assistant Director Pangman gives an overview of the Short-Term Rental permit application process, and details how many applicants are stating they cannot get landlines. The Planning Staff also relays a story about calling AT&T directly and receiving similar messaging. A brief discussion occurs defining the difference between copper landlines, fiber optics, and VOIP phone technologies.

9. FURTHER BUSINESS

None

10. PLANNING COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

10.1. Director Beals gives an update on the Planning Commission vacancy. The Clerk-Recorder's office has advertised the open position. Applications will be accepted until May 29, 2023. The new Commissioner will be appointed at the June 6, 2023 Board of Supervisors meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: Filippini/Baldrige. Vote: 3/0

Meeting was adjourned at 12:04pm. The next Planning Commission meeting will take place on 6/15/2023

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Beachell

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Administrative Secretary III

Approved as Witnessed



Brandon Pangman
Commission Secretary