

**COCHISE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
FINAL MINUTES
December 10, 2014
REGULAR MEETING and WORK SESSION at 4:00 p.m.**

The regular meeting of the Cochise County Planning and Zoning Commission was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chair Weissler at the Cochise County Complex, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room. Ms. Weissler admonished the public to turn off cell phones, use the speaker request forms provided, and to address the Commission from the podium using the microphone. She explained the time allotted to speakers when at the podium. She then explained the composition of the Commission, and indicated there were three Special Use Dockets, and a Work Session and Public Hearing regarding proposed updates and re-adoption of the Comprehensive Plan. She explained the consequences of a potential tie vote and the process for approval and appeal.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Weissler noted the presence of a quorum and called the roll, asking the Commissioners to introduce themselves and indicate the respective District they represent; seven Commissioners (Carmen Miller, Pat Edie, Patrick Greene, Wayne Gregan, Gary Brauchla, Nathan Watkins, and Liza Weissler) indicated their presence. Staff members present included Beverly Wilson, Planning Director; Peter Gardner, Planner I; Jesse Drake, Planner II; and Britt Hanson, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion: Approve the minutes of the November 12, 2014 meeting as corrected. **Action:** Approve as corrected

Moved by: Ms. Weissler **Seconded by:** Ms. Miller

Vote: Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 4, No = 0, Abstain = 3)

Yes: Ms. Miller, Mr. Gregan, Ms. Edie, and Mr. Greene **No:** 0 **Abstain:** Ms. Weissler, Mr. Brauchla, and Mr. Watkins

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Jack Cook of Bisbee spoke of various matters.

NEW BUSINESS

Items 1, 2, & 3

PUBLIC HEARING - Docket SU-14-15 (HPAZ NEVADA).

This is a request for a Special Use authorization to approve commercial radio antennas used for internet service that have been installed on an existing residential 40-foot high tower in a RU-4 rural residential zoning district on E. Nevada Drive in Hereford.

PUBLIC HEARING - Docket SU-14-16 (HPAZ BURRO).

This is a request for a Special Use authorization to approve commercial radio antennas used for internet service that have been installed on an existing residential 80-foot high tower in a RU-4 rural residential zoning district on S. Burro Drive in Hereford.

PUBLIC HEARING - Docket SU-14-17 (HPAZ STONE RIDGE).

This is a request for a Special Use authorization to approve commercial radio antennas used for internet service that have been installed on an existing residential 100-foot high tower in a RU-4 rural residential zoning district on S. Stone Ridge Drive in Hereford.

Chair Weissler noted that Staff had a request regarding these Dockets. Ms. Jesse Drake explained that staff was requesting these Dockets be tabled to a time certain due to unforeseen circumstances. Mr. Gregan moved to table the three Dockets to the February 11, 2015 meeting, Mr. Watkins seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

Motion: Motioned to Table the Dockets to the February 11, 2015 meeting. **Action:** Table to time certain.

Moved by: Mr. Gregan **Seconded by:** Mr. Watkins

Vote: Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 7, No = 0, Abstain = 0)

Yes: Ms. Miller, Ms. Edie, Mr. Brauchla, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Gregan, Mr. Greene, and Ms. Weissler

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Item 4

WORK SESSION AND PUBLIC HEARING Docket CP-14-01 (Re-adoption of the Cochise County Comprehensive Plan). This is a work session between the Commission and staff to discuss the revisions and additions made to a proposed Comprehensive Plan for Cochise County. Arizona Revised Statutes require the re-adoption of a Comprehensive Plan every ten years. Staff will be available to answer any questions regarding this revision, and to discuss any proposals that the Commission might have to further amend it.

Ms. Wilson presented the changes and input proposed by a number of Citizens' Groups and the Public Lands Advisory Committee.

Ms. Weissler opened the Public Hearing.

Ms. Tricia Gerrodette of Sierra Vista spoke, producing copies of a Cochise County Comprehensive Plan Survey from 1993, and comparing the number of responses to the number of responses to the current Plan surveys. She noted that the results were similar to the Envisioning 2020 sessions seven or eight years prior. She stated that she felt that citizens desired preservation of rural character, open spaces, and natural resources of the area. Ms. Gerrodette expressed uncertainty that the proposed Plan addressed those concerns, and noted frustration regarding limited response. She suggested that the response was poor because people felt that their opinions were not going to be taken into account.

The Commission then proceeded to address each proposed deletion, addition, or alteration individually, and voted to accept or reject each item individually, with Staff making appropriate changes to the electronic document. At approximately 7:30, Chair Weissler recommended breaking for the evening, and completing the hearing at the next meeting.

Mr. Gregan moved to table the remaining portion of the document to the January 14, 2015 meeting. Mr. Watkins seconded the motion, which then passed unanimously.

Motion: Motioned to Table the Docket to the January 14, 2015 meeting. **Action:** Table to Time Certain.

Moved by: Mr. Gregan **Seconded by:** Mr. Watkins

Vote: Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 7, No = 0, Abstain = 0)

Yes: Ms. Miller, Ms. Edie, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Brauchla, Mr. Gregan, Ms. Weissler, and Mr. Greene

No: 0

Abstain: 0

PLANNING DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Planning Director Beverly Wilson stated that there was one Rezoning Docket on the next agenda.

CALL TO COMMISSIONERS ON RECENT MATTERS:

Chair Weissler stated that she would not be standing for election as Chair for the coming year, and urged the members to consider nominees.

ADJOURNMENT – Mr. Watkins moved to adjourn, Ms. Miller seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.