

CITY/COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

“Serving Billings, Broadview and Yellowstone County”

Board Attendance Roster: Please note: “E” stands for excused absence, “A” stands for un-excused absence, “1” stands for present.

BYLAWS, YELLOWSTONE COUNTY BOARD OF PLANNING, (Amended. May 25, 2004)

Section 4. Absences and Removal

- A. Each member shall inform the Planning Director at least one day before the meeting of his/her inability to attend a Board or Committee meeting. Such an absence shall be considered an excused absence.
- B. If any Board member accrues three (3) or more consecutive unexcused absences from regular meetings, notice of which has been given at his/her usual place of work or residence, or by announcement at a meeting attended by him/her, the President may call such absences to the attention of the Board which may then recommend to the appointing authority that such member be asked to resign and that another person be appointed to serve out the unexpired term. Schedule: (** denotes a Wednesday meeting)

1	Position	01/13/2015	01/27/2015	02/11/2015	02/24/2015	03/10/2015	03/24/2015	04/14/2015	04/28/2015	05/12/2015	05/26/2015	06/09/2015	06/23/2015	07/14/2015	07/28/2015	08/11/2015	08/25/2015	09/08/2015	09/22/2015	10/13/2015	10/27/2015	11/10/2015	
Dave Goodridge	Mayor/Billings Ward I	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	E	E	E	1	1	E	1	E						
Patrick Klugman	Mayor/Billings Ward II	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	E	1						
Donna Forbes	Mayor/Billings Ward III	1	1	E	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	E	1		1	1						
Darell Tunnicliff	Mayor/Billings Ward IV	1	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1						
Dick Clark (President)	Mayor/Billings Ward V	1	E	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	E	E	1						
Vacant	YC District 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-						
Dennis Cook	YC District 2	1	1	1	-	-	E	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1						
Lisa Sukut	YC District 3	1	E	E	-	-	E	-	E	1	E	1	1	1	1	E	1						
Vacant	YC District 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-						
Don Reed	YC District 5	E	E	1	-	-	1	-	1	E	1	1	1	1	1	1	1						
Dean Clark	YC District 6	E	E	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	E	1	1						
Al Littler	YC District 7	1	1	1	-	1	E	-	E	E	E	E	1	E	1	1	1						
Clint McFarland	Y County Cons. District	1	1	1		1	1	-	E	1	1	1	1	E	A	1	1						
Scott Reiter	Ex-Officio S.D. 2 Facilities Director	E	E			1	1	-	1	-	E	E	1	E	1	E	E						
Supt. Terry Bouck	Ex-Officio S.D. 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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September 9, 2015

Approved by a motion on September 22, 2015

1. Call the Meeting to Order

President Dick Clark called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 9, 2015, in the Miller Building 1st Floor conference room, 2825 3rd Avenue North, Billings, Montana.

Introduction of Planning Board Members and Planning Department Staff

President Clark called for introductions of the members of the Planning Board and staff. Attending Planning staff members are: Candi Millar, Director, Planning & Community Services Dept.; Wyeth Friday, Planning Division Manager; Karen Husman, Planner I, Tammy Deines, Planning

Attending: Darin Swenson, Yellowstone County Public Works Department, Forrest Mandeville, Engineering West; Kristi Drake, Billings Trail Net

2. Approval of the Agenda-President Clark called for approval of the August 11, 2015 meeting agenda.

Motion

Dennis Cook made a motion and Dean Clark seconded the motion to approve the September 9, 2015 meeting agenda.

The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

3. Meeting Minutes for August 25, 2015 Donna Forbes asked for correction of a clerical error in the first paragraph to denote President Clark instead of the phrase, “In President Clark’s absence...”

Motion

David Goodrich made a motion and Don Reed seconded the motion to approve the August 25, 2015 meeting minutes as submitted.

The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

4. Public Comment: President Clark asked if there was anyone wishing to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting. He stated any member of the public may be heard on any subject that is not on the agenda; the Planning Board will not take any action on these items at this time, but could choose to add an item to the next meeting agenda for discussion. There were no Public Comments given during this time.

5. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest – Board members and Planning Staff. There were no disclosures of conflict of interest.

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Disclosure of Outside (Ex Parte) Communication– Board Members and Planning Staff. The Ex Parte Communication Binder is available at the Sign-In and Agenda station. There was none.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6a. Plat Review/Discussion. Yellowstone River Campground and RV Park Expansion. Wyeth Friday, Planning Division Manager

INTRODUCTION

On August 3, 2015, the Planning Division received an application for preliminary plan approval for the proposed Yellowstone River Campground and RV Park Expansion. The property is located at 309 Garden Avenue about a half mile south of the intersection of South 27th Street and Garden Avenue. This project is reviewed as a subdivision for rent or lease under Chapter 6 of the County Subdivision Regulations and plans for 36 new RV spaces on 2.8 acres. Since a subdivision for rent or lease does not involve a property survey, a final site plan and subdivision improvement agreement will be recorded when this project completes preliminary and final plan review. Planning Board will review the plan at this meeting and a conduct a public hearing on September 22, 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Planning Board recommend that the Yellowstone County Board of County Commissioners conditionally approve the preliminary plan of the Yellowstone River Campground and RV Park Expansion and adopt the Findings of Fact as presented in the staff report.

PROPOSED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Pursuant to Section 76-3-608(4), MCA, the following conditions are recommended to reasonably minimize potential adverse impacts identified within the Findings of Fact.

1. To minimize effects on local services, the natural environment, and public health and safety, prior to final plan approval the developer will receive approval from the City of Billings Public Works Department for additional connection to the municipal water system, and approval from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality for the proposed onsite wastewater treatment system.
2. To minimize the effects on public health and safety and to ensure compliance with the Yellowstone County Subdivision Regulations, prior to final plan approval the developer will receive written approval from the Billings Fire Department that the 20-foot wide emergency access road has been built, gated, and signed to proper standards.
3. To minimize effects on the natural environment, public health and safety, and to ensure compliance with the Yellowstone County Subdivision Regulations, prior to final plan approval the developer will receive approval from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality to ensure proper storm water management practices, and facility design are followed in the campground expansion.

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4. To minimize the effects on local services, the developer will coordinate with private utility providers and indicate any utility locations or easements on the final plan for the campground expansion.
5. Minor changes may be made in the SIA and final documents, as requested by the Planning and/or Public Works Departments to clarify the documents and bring them into the standard acceptable format.
6. The final plan shall comply with all requirements of the County Subdivision Regulations, rules, regulations, policies, and resolutions of the Yellowstone County, and the laws and Administrative Rules of the State of Montana.

Discussion

President Clark called for discussion. Don Reed noted there are multiple drain fields in the area and asked about the possibility of groundwater pollution on the surrounding properties. Wyeth Friday agreed and said there is no City service in this area, which makes development challenging. Forrest Mandeville, Engineering West, represents property owners Doug and Judy Barnes; and Brit and Kelsey Barnes. He explained that DEQ requires non-degradation calculations to determine there is groundwater pollution.

Donna Forbes commented on the heavy tree planting on Garden Avenue and asked if this property will be enhanced with trees? Wyeth Friday said the larger trees along Garden Avenue may present some issues with right-of-way development. He said here was some concern with the effect on the existing trees should the applicant provide additional right-of-way.

Darrel Tunncliff asked if there are any floodplain issues. Wyeth Friday referred to a posted map and pointed out the flood fringe and the flood plain boundary. Darrell Tunncliff commented that the KOA was flooded 30 years ago. Wyeth Friday said there is language in the SIA to alert potential owners of potential for changes in the river.

Dick Clark asked about pedestrian trail easements and Wyeth Friday said there have been some discussions with the property owners about future options. He said there has been some damage from trespass and there is no interest in providing trail easements at this time.

Don Reed asked if there will be any permanent structures. Forrest Mandeville stated there will be no permanent structures other than the drain field and an emergency access. Wyeth Friday pointed out the existing buildings and the pool on the plat map.

** A public hearing for the Yellowstone River Campground and RV Park Expansion will be held at the next Planning Board meeting on Tuesday, September 22, 2015.

7. OTHER BUSINESS-

a. .Growth Policy Scenario Planning-Mapping Potential Land use in selected growth areas. Director Candi Millar explained she is introducing the Board to a Growth

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Scenario application that allows users to “paint” land uses on a map. The software has the ability to synthesize all of the input and come up with general agreement. This is the first step in creating the scenarios to reach an estimate of cost of development and determine how it will achieve our goals. She continued and gave a step-by-step explanation of how to use the software.

Discussion

Darell Tunnicliff asked about the survey process logistics. Candi Millar said staff presented this information to task forces, civic groups, and businesses. Staff received over 1,200 comment cards and less than 100 persons went to multiple meetings. She commented there may be a missing sector with those who do not get involved in the community.

Staff will e-mail the URLs and PowerPoint explanation to Board members and will be available for questions if needed. Paper maps will be provided for those who are unable to use the software. Suggestions:

1. Use Internet Explorer or Fire Fox as an internet browser.
2. Choose an area of interest.
3. Start from the City Limits and move outward.
4. If possible, fill out both areas completely.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Tuesday, September 22, 2015

a. **Public Hearing. Yellowstone River Campground Expansion**, a County Subdivision for Rent or Lease. A 5.96 acre property generally located on Garden Avenue with a proposal to add 36 more sites. Douglas and Judy Barnes, owners. Travis West, Engineering West. Wyeth Friday Planning Division Manager

b. **Growth Policy Scenario Planning-Mapping Potential Land use in selected growth areas**. Scenario mapping follow-up. Candi Millar, Director, Planning & Community Services and the Planning Board.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:45 p.m.

Approved on September 2, 2015



Richard Clark, President, Yellowstone County Board of Planning



Candi Millar, Director, Planning and Community Services Department