

Planning Commission Meeting/Public Hearing

Date: 4/11/24

Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

End Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: 121 Cleveland, Asotin, WA

TOPIC: The Public Hearing was held to hear oral statements from the residents present on the allowance of chickens in all residential zones in the City of Asotin. Written statements received by City Hall were also presented by Chair Mercia Neace.

Call to Order by Chairperson: Mercia Neace

Roll Call: Gary Bourassa, Sam Hill, Elaine Greene, Mercia Neace, Anne Beste, Angela Nightingale

The Minutes of the last Planning Commission meeting held on January 4, 2024 were read by the Secretary. The minutes were approved as read, motion to accept was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Nightingale.

Public Hearing Attendees: Charlotte Tuttle, Jim Jeffreys, Catherine Bourassa, Kathy Bowman, Blake Neace, Aria Zahurien, Ephraim Norman, Chaz Neace

Chairperson Neace, briefly outlined the process for the Public Hearing for those present. She let everyone know the meeting would be recorded.

Public Comment: Comments from the residents present were positive to allow chickens in the R2 Zone provided the chickens were to be caged or cooped on the owner's property and not allowed to free range. Responsible owners must be good neighbors and not allow the chickens to annoy or disrupt the neighborhood.

Commissioner Neace read eight written statements with 20 signatures that were in favor of allowing chickens in the City of Asotin Residential Zones.

After the comments and some discussion, the poll results were 10 in favor and 3 opposed to allow chickens in the City of Asotin. (Commissioner Neace, as Chairperson, did not vote.) The outcome is now a matter of record of the proceedings and will be passed on to the City Council for their action.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

There was no further business and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Mercia Neace, Chair

Submitted, Anne Beste, Secretary

