

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

Date: July 11, 2019

The Ephrata Planning Commission, Grant County, Washington met on July 11, 2019. The meeting was called to order in Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Joe Dennis. Roll was taken. Members present David Spencer, Tom Moncrief ; Don Guillemette; Jo Maedke Excused

Staff present: Dan Leavitt, Community Development Director; Anna Franz, City Attorney; Bill Sangster, Public Works Director and Stacy Hooper, Secretary.

The commission reviewed the minutes of the May 9, 2019 meeting. Minutes approved with no changes. (m/s David Spencer/Don Guillemette). Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** Nothing added

No additions or Revisions to published agenda.

**Joe Dennis asked for Staff report; Dan Leavitt gave brief background of how and why the changes have come to Planning Commission.**

Dan Leavitt discussed the addition to 19.07.030 (J) ; (N) and (O).

**Dave Spencer** asks if there is an alternative being proposed to add artificial turf instead of grass for landscaping. **Joe Dennis** asks if there are drawbacks; **Dan Leavitt** give one possible draw back, turf runs much hotter than natural grass. **Discussion Ensues**

**Dan Leavitt** will research what other jurisdiction have in place for turf and bring back to next meeting for discussion.

**Dan Leavitt** addresses the addition to 19.07.030 ( C ) **Discussion Ensues.**

**Dan Leavitt** asks if there are any further questions or discussion, **Joe Dennis** asks about the Airport Zone landscaping requirements; **Discussion Ensues**

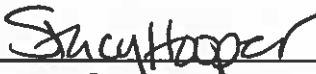
**Joe Dennis** asks what the next step is; **Dan Leavitt** answers if Planning Commission agrees the recommendations will go to Council; **Joe Dennis** asks if we should hold off until Planning Commission looks at the turf recommendations; **Dave Spencer** asks that Planning Commission waits until further research is done on Turf. **Joe Dennis** agreed that the turf should be looked at.

**Dan Leavitt** will research artificial turf and bring findings to the next Planning Commission meeting.

**Next scheduled meeting Thursday July 25, 2019.**

Meeting on July 11, 2019 adjourns at 7:15 pm

  
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Joe Dennis, Planning Commission Chairman

Attest:   
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Stacy Hooper, Secretary