1. Call to Order

Commissioner Lyman, followed by introductions of the Thurston County Planning Commission members, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

a. Attendance

**Thurston County**


Members Absent: Margaret Paradise, George Darkenwald

Staff Present: Nancy Pritchett, Fred Knostman, Cami Petersen

b. Approval of Agenda

**Commissioner Cole moved to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Bower seconded. The Agenda was approved.**

c. Approval of Minutes

September 17, 2003 minutes:

Commissioner Ottavelli requested the following changes:

1) Section 5, 6th paragraph, second sentence: Add an “s” to the word “item”
2) Section 5, ninth paragraph, third sentence: “Cooperpoint” should be two words.
3) Section 5, first paragraph: “Power point” should be spelled “PowerPoint”

**Commissioner Cole moved to approve the September 17, 2003 minutes as amended. Commissioner Roper seconded. Motion carried.**

October 1, 2003 minutes:

Commissioner Ottavelli requested to make the following changes:

1) Section 3, first paragraph, second sentence: “Power point” should be spelled “PowerPoint”
Commissioner Lyman asked if the minutes were correct in Section 3, second paragraph, second sentence that reads: “Mr. Swartout explained that all exempt wells are only being used for domestic in-house use only.” A discussion followed. The Planning Commission agreed that the minutes are correct but that Mr. Swartout misstated this sentence. The Planning Commission requested that a footnote be added to the October 1, 2003 minutes to correct this statement.

Commissioner Lyman requested the following change:
   1) Section 3, third paragraph, second sentence: Change the word “affecting” to “effecting”.

**Commissioner Ottavelli moved to approve the October 1, 2003 minutes as amended.**
**Commissioner Roper seconded. Motion carried.**

October 15, 2003 minutes:

**Commissioner Ottavelli moved to approve the October 15, 2003 minutes. Commissioner Lovrien seconded. Motion carried.**

2. **Public Communication**

None.

3. **Briefing/Set Hearing: Davidson Open Space Application**

Nancy Pritchett outlined the Davidson Open Space Application, Project No. 2003102774, concerning tax parcel numbers 60720000700, 69100001602, 60720000601 and 69100001601. Ms. Pritchett requested that a hearing date for this application be set. Ms. Pritchett answered questions from the Planning Commission.

**Commissioner Kohlenberg moved to set a public hearing on the Davidson Open Space Application on January 7, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.** Commissioner Ottavelli seconded. **Motion carried.**

4. **Appointment of a Nominating Committee for Officers**

Commissioner Lyman announced that Commissioner Paradise and Commissioner Roper have volunteered to serve on the Nominating Committee for Officers. Commissioner Lyman explained that the Nominating Committee would be contacting all Planning Commissioners to establish the committees.

A vote was called to determine whether or not the two Nominating Committee members could also participate as nominees.
Commissioner Kohlenberg moved to allow the Nominating Committee to also participate as nominees. Commissioner Bower seconded. Motion carried.

5. **Staff Updates**

Fred Knostman updated the Planning Commissioner on the following:

a) The Board of County Commissioners has approved the Comp Plan Amendments for 2003 on November 10, 2003.

b) The Board of County Commissioners are scheduled to adopt the new Wireless Communication Facilities Ordinance at the November 24, 2003 regular Board Meeting.

c) A public hearing will be held on Monday, November 24, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. with the Board of County Commissioners to reaffirm the Interim Mining Ordinance, which will then expire on October 17, 2004.

Commissioner Bower asked if the County Commissioners had adopted the Planning Commissions suggestion for the designation to expand existing mines in the Mining Ordinance? Mr. Knostman stated that the Board of County Commissioners did not make this change to the Mining Ordinance.

d) Growth Management Act: Mr. Knostman explained that the Planning Commission in 2004 will be working on the remaining portions of the Comprehensive Plan and Critical Area Ordinance, setting public hearings and forwarding the Planning Commission recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners by December 1, 2004.

Commissioner Ottavelli asked if there has been any decision by the Board of County Commissioners concerning the Planning Commissions request for involvement in the upcoming Watershed Plan. Mr. Knostman stated that there has been no decision on this at this time.

e) Ms. Pritchett stated that she would forward a copy of the Nisqually Watershed Plan to the Planning Commission with the December mailings. Commissioners Ottavelli, Roper and Lyman requested that Ms. Pritchett also send them an electronic copy of the Plan.

f) Ms. Pritchett asked Commissioner Bower if he would like to participate in the workgroup for the Critical Areas Ordinance section dealing with habitat species. Commissioner Bower stated that he would sit on this committee. Commissioner Roper and Commissioner Lyman stated that they would also participate in this committee.
6. **Hearing/Action: Proposed Code Amendment to TCC 21.23**

Commissioner Lyman opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. and called for public testimony. There was no public testimony.

Commissioner Lyman closed the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

Commissioner Lyman asked if the Commissioners had any further questions or discussion on this topic. Commissioner Ottavelli asked Ms. Pritchett to once again explain the proposed code amendment. A discussion followed.

**Commissioner Cole moved to approve the Proposed Code Amendment to TCC 21.23.25(c) to add language recognizing gas stations in existence as of January 21, 1999 as a permitted use. Commissioner Lovrien seconded. Commissioner Roper opposed. Motion carried.**

7. **Calendar (attendance)**

December 3, 2003: Commissioner Kohlenberg may not be able to attend; Commissioner Roper may be late; Commissioner Lyman stated that Commissioner Paradise may not be able to attend this meeting.

December 17, 2003 Meeting Cancelled.

8. **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Liz Lyman, Chair
Mark Lovrien, Vice Chair