



PLANNING COMMISSION
COUNTY OF ALPINE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Administration Building, Board Chambers
99 Water Street, Markleeville, CA 96120

MINUTES
THURSDAY, January 28, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Jim Holdridge called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with Commissioners Tom Sweeney and Bob Broyer present.

Commissioner Hartzell was absent.

A quorum was established.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATION – GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. MINUTES

3.1. Request approval of regular meeting minutes of August 27, 2020.

MOTION: Holdridge / SECOND: Broyer approving the regular meeting minutes as presented.

Commissioner Holdridge – Yes

Commissioner Sweeney- Yes

Commissioner Broyer - Yes

MOTION CARRIED

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

5. NEW BUSINESS

None

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

6.1. Tour of the California Alps: Death Ride special event permit (5:15 pm)

Review and possible action to approve a special event permit application to allow the Tour of the California Alps: Death Ride cycling event with up to 3,500 participants to occur on July 17, 2021. The event is staged from Turtle Rock Park and the course

Becky DeForest described that 1,000 riders typically complete the 5 passes and participation may be impacted by the pandemic.

Commissioner Holdridge commented about setting and advance date for cancellation cut off due to pandemic conditions.

Curtis Fong noted that a week prior to the event is a preferred cut off.

Commissioner Sweeney described that the ride highlights Alpine County.

Commissioner Broyer noted that the coronavirus conditions may only be applicable for 2021. Broyer noted that he would like comments from the San Andreas CHP about the Hermit Valley to Lake Alpine segment and that the route should be closed to vehicle traffic and requested the applicant amend the application.

Curtis Fong described preference to have the Hermit Valley to Lake Alpine closed to vehicle traffic.

Commissioner Holdridge commented concerns about COVID that were addressed by the recommended conditions; concerned about the new route. The elimination of the Carson Pass is an overall positive. Holdridge asked Fong if the event could negotiate the closure of the Lake Alpine segment with relevant agencies.

Curtis Fong stated that agencies would likely agree with a closed course for the segment and the original course was to be closed at East Lake Alpine. Fong requested the opportunity to contact agencies regarding changing the course description.

Becky DeForest requested two week cancellation notice due to coronavirus conditions.

Dr. Johnson commented that July 1, 2021 was an acceptable date for event cancellation due to coronavirus conditions.

Zach Wood described that the County would contact agencies.

Commissioner Sweeney noted that the course extension was acceptable with a resolution to the operation of the course.

Commissioner Holdridge is in favor of eliminating Carson Pass and favor extending to Lake Alpine as a closed course.

The public hearing and item was continued to the regular February 25 meeting.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1. Planner's report

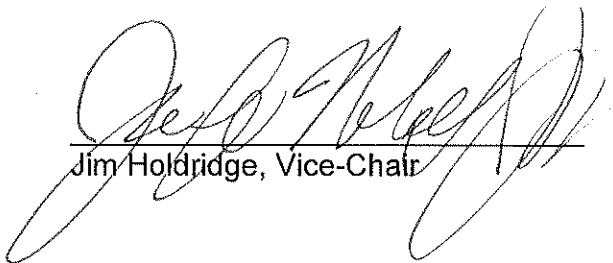
Zach Wood described work and upcoming meetings related to the Wildfire Risk Mitigation Plan and Regional Transportation Plan.

7.2. Items initiated by Commissioners

Commissioner Broyer asked about changing the regular meeting time. Wood described that the Commission may consider bylaw amendments to change the regular time at the next meeting.

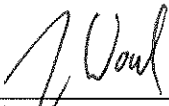
8. ADJOURNMENT

The Commission adjourned to the next regular meeting of February 25, 2021.



Jim Holdridge, Vice-Chair

Attest:



Zach Wood, Planner III
Alpine County Community Development