

**Minutes of the
CANNON BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION**
Thursday, February 1, 2024

Present: Chair Clay Newton, Commissioners Dorian Farrow and Anna Moritz, Aaron Matusick, Erik Ostrander, and Les Sinclair attended via Zoom.

Excused: Commissioner Bates

Staff: Director of Community Development Steve Sokolowski, City Planner Robert St. Clair, and Administrative Assistant Tessa Pfund

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Newton called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

(1) Approval of Agenda

Motion: Commissioner Moritz moved to approve the agenda as presented; Commissioner Sinclair seconded the motion.

Vote: Chair Newton, Commissioners Ostrander, Sinclair, Moritz, Farrow and Matusick voted AYE; the motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Newton opened the floor for public comment. He made it clear that if you request to speak during a public comment, you must state your name and address.

There was no public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

Chair Newton instructed the committee's attention to the only action item for the meeting, the "Adoption of findings from Thursday January 25, 2024, meeting. Continuation of Public Hearing of CU#23-04, Red Crow LLC on behalf of Patrick/David LLC for a Conditional Use Permit."

Chair Newton shared that Farrow shared a message with himself and asked if anyone else had comments to share. Farrow shared that the mystery number on Zoom belonged to Dave. Farrow then shared what the contents of his message to Chair Clay, Sokolowski, and St. Clair included. He brought everyone's attention to an item relating to the City Arborist found on the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law Report. Commissioner Ostrander built upon his comment. Sokolowski addressed their comments and concerns. Moritz asked if section 4 of the motion could be modified. Discussion followed. St. Clair made their adjusted directly. Sokolowski continued to

address questions regarding the list of conditions for the motion. Farrow requested that the arborist be included as more than a consultant to the conditions of approval.

It was asked where the DRB stood with their decision relating to items under consideration with this same project. Sokoloski shared that the DRB postponed their decision-making process so that they might take into consideration the Planning Commission's decisions.

The commissioners thanked St. Clair and Sokolowski for their work putting together the document. Chair Newton asked if the commission was ready to make a motion. Matusick posed additional points of interest regarding accountability with the completion of the project. Sokolowski addressed his questions.

Chair Newton asked if they were ready to make a motion to approve the findings.

Motion: Ostrander moved to approve the findings as written; Farrow seconded the motion.

Vote: Chair Newton, Commissioners Ostrander, Matusick, Farrow, Sinclair and Moritz voted AYE. The motion passed.

Chair Newton asked for possible dates for a pending special meeting. Sokolowski relayed that we are waiting for confirmation from another party before a date can be set.

Ostrander addressed a problem that occurred with the Public Comment portion of a recent City Council Session, and asked if there were updates on how the committee might handle/prevent such a situation. Chair Newton shared the information he had received regarding how to handle such circumstances. Farrow added that those public comments in question all came from Zoom accounts who stated their address as homes that were later identified as homes listed for sale in city limits. The committee expressed great concern for over these challenging situations.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm.

Tessa Pfund, Administrative Assistant