



Tehama County
Thursday, April 3, 2025, 9:00 AM
Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes - Draft

Time: 9:00 AM
Location: Board Chambers
Administration Building
727 Oak Street, Red Bluff,
CA 96080

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Board Chambers

Lesa Harris	District 1
Vici Miranda	District 2
Robert Halpin - Chairman	District 3
Ryan Partrick	District 4
Karen Jones – Vice-Chair	District 5

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Halpin led the Pledge of Allegiance

II. CITIZENS CONCERNS

None

III. MINUTES OF THE MEETING

1. Approval of April 3, 2025, Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

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IV. REGULAR ITEM

2. PUBLIC WORKS- COUNTY SURVEYOR - WILL PIKE

Will Pike, Public Works, presented the vacation of Farquhar Road.

Jessica Riske-Gomez, Deputy Director of Transportation, presented her study and passed out copies of the study.

Chairman Halpin asked Jessica Martinez, Director of Planning what is the zoning of the road.

Ms. Martinez stated the zoning is valley floor ag.

Commissioner Jones asked how does the emergency easement work and what access would look like.

Mr. Pike stated it would probably be gated and used in emergency situations.

Commissioner Jones asked who would be responsible for the gate.

Mr. Pike stated the property owners would be responsible for the gate.

Chairman Halpin opened public hearing;

William Poland, member of the general public, presented his reasons why the road should stay open. Mr. Polland stated that his biggest concern is fire safety and how closing the road will affect that.

Mike Ludwick, property owner northside of cottonwood creek, stated he biggest concern if there was a fire the way in and out of his property is evergreen and there is only one way in and one way out. Mr. Ludwick feels that the portion of the dry creek bed would be another way out if needed.

Bill Moule, former Supervisor District 1, stated the road has not been used in 25 years and there are two private properties you must pass through to get to the portion of the road. Mr. Moule stated all 100 yards of the road needs to be vacated.

Scott Williams, retired Game Warden for 24 years, stated the road has been a major thorn in his side. Mr. Williams stated there have been abandoned cars, bonfires, and the biggest problem is allowing vehicles to go down the road. He stated nobody has the right to cross private property and anything dumped on the road is the responsibility of the property owner to clean up at their expense.

Rob Burroughs, Supervisor District 1, stated he understands the concerns with both sides, but feels the road needs to be open due to safety concerns and major fire issues.

Chairman Halpin closed the public hearing;

After further discussion by the Commissioners;

Commissioner Patrick made the motion to adopt the findings in A;

- A). Adopt the finding that the Farquhar Road Vacation Project is CEQA Exempt per Sections 15305; minor alterations in land use limitations; and

RESULT: **Item A: APPROVED (3-1)**

AYES: Commissioner Miranda, Commissioner Jones, and Commissioner

Patrick
NAYS: Chairperson Halpin
ABSENT: Commissioner Harris

- B). Adopt a finding that the Farquhar Road Vacation Project is consistent with the Tehama County General Plan 2009-2029 pursuant to the Findings attached in Attachment A.

Commissioner Jones made the motion to adopt the findings in B;

RESULT: **Item B: APPROVED (3-1)**
AYES: Commissioner Miranda, Commissioner Jones, and Commissioner Patrick
NAYS: Chairperson Halpin
ABSENT: Commissioner Harris

Or;

- C). Failing to make the recommended findings, move that the Planning Commission find that the Farquhar Road Vacation Project is inconsistent with the General Plan 2009-2029

IV. OTHER MATTERS

3. COMMISSION DISCUSSION REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENT TIME LIMIT:

Discuss changing the Public Citizens concerns comments from 3 minutes to 5 minutes.

Chairman Halpin presented changing the Public Citizens concerns comments from 3 minutes to 5 minutes. After a discussion, the commissioners decided to change the public citizens' concerns comment portion of the meeting to 5 minutes.

V. DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Jessica Martinez Director of Planning stated there will not be a Planning Commission Meeting on April 17, 2025.

VI. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 11:17 AM.