PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
July 6, 2026 | 4:00 p.m.

Present:
Chairman Ryan Lambert
Commissioner Hazel Barnett
Commissioner John Zabell
Commissioner Peggy Harris

Absent: Commissioner Sue Ranger

Others in Attendance: Administrator Treesa Morales, Clerk/Treasurer, Dorraine Bigby, Keelan Naasz, YVCOG, Byron Gumz, YVCOG

1. Chairman Lambert called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Approval of minutes from June 1, 2026 meeting

Chairman Lambert asked if the Commissioners had an opportunity to review the minutes. Commissioner Barnett noted that it said she was present at the meeting, but was not. Administrator Morales said she would remove her name from the list. Hearing no other corrections, Chairman Lambert requested approval of the minutes as amended. By voice motion, minutes were approved. After approval, Commissioner Harris asked for clarification of residential living in the Business District area of town. Administrator Morales provided information regarding new State laws supporting more dense zoning districts but that the buildings will still be regulated by the town.

3. Public Hearing – none

4. Old Business
    a. Overview of Comprehensive Plan Update and Upcoming Duties

Administrator Morales reviewed the power point presentation regarding a summary of completed parts of the comprehensive plan update and what is left. YVCOG Planner Naaz pointed out that the Climate Element was not listed in chapters yet to finalize.

    b. Review of updated Land Use Element

After presentation, the Commission discussed proposed updates to the Land Use Element, a discussion led by YVCOG Planner Naaz. During review, the planning commission noted a few changes such as the address listed for the fire department, noted by Commissioner Barnett, and the addition of the archery club, noted by Commissioner Harris.

    c. Review of updated Housing Element

Planner Naaz presented the housing element and reviewed each page with noted revisions. Administrator Morales requested clarification on why three residential zoning codes were listed when Naches only has two. Planner Naaz said that is because that is how the county identifies different residential usage levels. Commissioners continued reviewing proposed changes.

5. New Business - None
6. Other Business - None
7. Adjournment

Hearing no further discussion, the Chairman Lambert said he would entertain a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Zabell moved. Motion approved via voice vote.
Meeting ended at 6:20 p.m.

Ryan Lambert, Chairman