



Bonner County

Board of Commissioners

Steve Bradshaw

Luke Omodt

Asia Williams

Special Meeting Minutes

PLANNING WORKSHOP

Date: August 30, 2023

Location: 1500 Hwy 2, Suite 338, Sandpoint, ID 83864

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Omodt and Bradshaw

Planning Staff: Katie Hansen, Travis Haller, Jake Gabell, Swati Rastogi

Planning Commission: Allan Songstad, Mark Linscott, Dave Frankenbach, Michael Leita,
Randy Stolz (Zoom)

Others Present: Danny Baldocchi, Air BnB (Zoom)

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Commissioner Bradshaw called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

Discussion Regarding Vacation Rental Permit Software, Ordinance, and Fee Schedule

Planning Director, Jake Gabell, gave a brief overview of how a software solution would benefit the issued permits for short-term rentals in the County and compliance for short-term rentals. Discussed the companies and costs of each (see attached).

Planning Commission Chair, Allan Songstad, discussed the benefits of the software solution companies and their software, as well as how compliance and permits for short-term rentals in the County would improve.

Discussion regarding each company and the benefits/differences of each. More discussion regarding compliance and funding/overall costs. Potential to use both Planning and Technology funds. The revenue could cover future costs after initial implementation.

Discussion on updating the outdated code/ordinance and issues (parties, parking, etc.) that can be caused by short-term rentals. Suggested reaching out to the committee for input.

In order to have an enforced short-term ordinance, need to have compliance.

Public comment:

Danny Badlocchi: Would like to meet with BOCC and Planning to discuss options and brief overview of what Air BnB can offer to help with compliance issues and issues with short-term rentals. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Omodt will add this as an Action Item in an upcoming business meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

Deputy Clerk: Alisa Schoeffel