

**BLANCHARD AREA PLAN COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Scott called the Blanchard Area Plan Committee meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. on Tuesday, November 27, 2018 in the Blanchard Community Center, 685 Rusho Road, Blanchard.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Andrew Scott; Lee Cornelison; Brett VanBuskirk; Ron Smith; Jim Boyer; Vice Chair Alan Corning; Cristine Ary Dan Lethco

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Troy Westfall; Karen Jones; Aaron Knight;

STAFF PRESENT: Planning Director Milton Ollerton; Floodplain Manager Jason Johnson; Permit Technician Amanda DeLima; and Office Manager Jeannie Welter

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Chair requested the committee declare if they had any corrections or changes to the approval of minutes as written for: October 23, 2018. Chair Scott noted a change in the minutes on the last page date approved is 27th of November, 2018. Hearing no additional changes or objections, the Chair declared the minutes approved as written. Voted upon and the minutes were approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next meeting will be January 22, 2018.

GROUP DISCUSSION:

Chair Scott stated he believes that the people of the area should guide this process not the committee guiding the people of the area. He stated he thought the committee removed the current #7. He read his survey question suggestions aloud to the group. He asked the group about the order of the questions on the survey. He inquired if the group is in agreement to his verbiage of #7. He stated we prefer fact over emotion.

The committee agreed #7 will read as follows:

As a resident of Southwest Bonner County, what do you believe makes this area a more attractive place to live – an unincorporated town Blanchard that maintains its current rural feel and lifestyle, or an incorporated city of Blanchard progressing towards a suburban bedroom community with higher density? Why?

The committee agreed #5 & 6 will read as follows:

What would make you want to stay in Southwest Bonner County? What would make you want to leave Southwest Bonner County? (Make a LEAVE-STAY table for each item on the list.)

The group voted to call the area "Southwest Bonner County".

The group agreed on #1 as written.

#2 they removed the parenthetical remarks.

#3 they agreed to strike the current #3

The new #3 they updated to "Southwest Bonner County" and left the rest the same.

The committee discussed adding a question regarding private property right and land use regulations. They formulated a question for the survey as follows:

What value do you place on private property rights? (1-5 scale) (1=very concerned and 5=not concerned at all.)

What value do you place on preservation of rural character? (1-5 scale) (1=very concerned and 5=not concerned at all.)

The following will be question number 4:

What characteristics are important to you as a resident of Southwest Bonner County?
(Make this a ranking question)

Private Property Rights

Preservation of Rural Character

Access to public lands

Open spaces

Historic preservation

Dark skies

Low-density development

Ease of access to urban centers

#5 the group voted to strike this question.

The group decided to leave in the following question:

What are three things you like about Southwest Bonner County?

Jim Boyer asked about the incorporation of a city topic. Jason Johnson explained the impact of being incorporated.

Lee moved to adjourn the meeting. Jim Boyer seconded the motion. Voted upon and the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

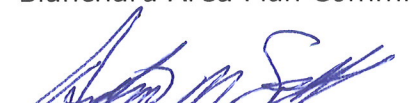
Respectfully submitted,



Milton Ollerton, Planning Director

The above Minutes are hereby approved this 26th day of February, 2019.

Blanchard Area Plan Committee



Andrew Scott, Chairman