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MINUTES
June 5, 2006

Present: Paul, Larry, Aubrey, Gordy, Lisa, Al, Dave, and Fred. Absent: Staff:
Tim, Ken, Chuck. Staff: Kendra

Guy McNally representing Planning present.

- I. Call to order at 7:00 a.m.
- II. Add to the agenda Deming Log Show
- III. No public comments
- IV. No Action items...no quorum
- V. Discussion items:
 - a. "Talking Points" – who is the audience? Dave suggested a letter to the paper
 - i. Good forest management- already respects resources and provides recreation.
 - ii. Blanchard Mt. public involvement needed, schools need to make signs too
 - iii. GMA supports the resourcesKen, Tim, Gordy will get together to flush out talking points
Kendra will look for some funding sources if the FAB wants to put together a handout.
 - b. Update on Blanchard from Ken's perspective and Kendra's perspective. Discussed tactics for getting correct information to the public...i.e. a fact sheet to the paper once a week in the editorial section. Facts could include: compatibility of forestry with recreation, what is old growth, revenues, the urban setting, and compliance with the GMA etc.

- c. Boy Scouts concerned about the rezone of their property. Send the problem to the Planning Dept and ask them to find away to make it work...it should.
- d. Woods Tour- discussed who may be going June 9th!!!
- e. CAO Update- Paul said that he discussed with the group why it was important to keep the performance standards in for cutting within the zones next to the riparian corridors. Aubrey said they used them and want to keep them as a possible tool in the future. May need some tweaking, will get together with Paul to discuss.
- f. PIP- At a stand still with the agencies/conservation caucus believing the intermittent dry portions should be included as part of the perennial flow and the industry feeling that protections should be placed where needed and not just write a rule that is flawed.
- g. RMAP- discussed the new Rule that went into effect to update roads and culverts.
- h. Comp Plan update (Guy)
 - i. Mineral Resource overlay has some changes
 - ii. Master Plan Resort has been completed. Must be in a setting of significant natural amenities, like Donny Clark not 1,000 trails near Alger.

VI. Information-

- a. Al shared that the Conservation Dist Forest Stewardship Program was going on. Mike Naylor(?) took Mark Hitchcock's plan. Al talked about technical issues. They use the County money as leverage and to get more money for programs so when the County doesn't give money it really hurts programs. About ½ million comes into Skagit County from outside funding sources. This is for problem solving energies and how to manage the land. Al's jobconservation and wise use.
- b. Next meeting July 10, 2006

VII. Meeting adjourned at 9:02.