



Whatcom County Critical Areas Update 2016 Citizens' Advisory Committee

MEETING NOTES April 15, 2015 3:30 – 5:30 PM

Northwest Annex Conference Room, 5280 Northwest Drive, Bellingham

1. Call to Order

a. Sign In

Members Present

- Virginia Watson
- Kate Blystone
- Audrey Borders
- Wendy Harris
- David Haggith
- Roger Almskaar
- Wes Kentch
- Laura Sachs

Staff Present

- Andy Weiser
- Mark Personius

b. Approval or modification of meeting summary: April 1, 2015 – Approved

c. Public Comments (5 min)

- i. Gathia Weis – spoke about a cougar attack on a cow in Ferndale

d. Staff Comments (10 min)

e. Committee Member Comments (5 min)

- i. Virginia Watson – Apologized for comments at last meeting; Now feels positive about the CAC and looking forward to making progress.
- ii. Audrey – OK to address Wendy's concerns about 3 minute speaking rule.
- iii. Kate – CAC needs to be facilitated more by Cliff. Limiting debate subject should be deferred until next meeting, when he's back.
- iv. Roger Almskaar – Supports a 5 minute limit, rather than 3.
- v. Wes Kentch – Motion passes 6-2-2 to postpone discussion. Add to agenda for 5/6 meeting.

2. Old Business (none)

3. New Business

a. Review of Article 3, Geohazards section of the code

The CACAC started their review of proposed code amendments based on the CATAC recommendations.

4. Next meeting: May 6, 2015, 3:30 PM (Art 3, Geohazards, and possibly start on Article 7, Habitat Conservation Areas)

5. Adjourn