

**JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION
CITY OF EMMETT / GEM COUNTY
SUMMARY MINUTES**

**January 25, 2019
Emmett City Hall
8:30 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Burton Briggs, Debbie Rouwenhorst, Maria Salazar, Denise Sorenson and Ben Mock.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Donald Stansberry.

OTHERS PRESENT: Gem County Planning Director – Jennifer Kharrl and City of Emmett Zoning Administrator – Brian Sullivan.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Dennis Colgan and Martin Fry.

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman **Rouwenhorst** called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M.
2. **Roll Call:** Burton Briggs-present, Debbie Rouwenhorst-present, Ben Mock-present, Maria Salazar-present, Denise Sorenson - present.
3. **Review of Agenda: A motion to amend the agenda to add introduction of new commissioner** was made by Commissioner **Salazar**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Briggs**. Motion carried.
4. **Introduction of New Commissioner: Denise Sorenson** - Denise Sorenson introduced herself and stated she has lived in town for 20 years and has been doing hospice for eight years.
5. **Approval of Minutes** – December 14, 2018 and January 11, 2019: **A motion to approve the December 14, 2018 and January 11, 2019 as written** was made by Commissioner **Salazar**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Mock**. Motion carried.
6. **Election of Officers:** Debbie Rouwenhorst was elected Chairman and Maria Salazar was elected Vice Chairman.
7. **New Business:**
 - a. **Review Chapter Template.** The Commission reviewed the template and chose to leave it as is.
8. **Unfinished Business:**
 - a. **Economic Development Chapter – Postponed.**
 - b. **Community Design** – The Commission reviewed the edits made from the previous meeting and continued updating the chapter. The goal statements and policies were revised.

c. Education Chapter – None.

9. Items from the Public

- a.** Dennis Colgan stated that he thinks the conversation that the Commission had is very important. He feels that increasing the tax base is a must to help Emmett stay viable.

Martin Fry stated that the community must be balanced to thrive.

10. Items from City Zoning Administrator/County Planning Director: None.

11. Items from Planning Commission: None.

12. Upcoming Meetings:

- a. Next regular meeting** –February 8, 2019 at 8:30 A.M.

13. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner **Salazar**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Mock**. **Motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 A.M.

Chairman Debbie Rouwenhorst

City Clerk