

Lewis County Planning Commission

Public Meeting

In-Person & Virtual Meeting via Zoom

June 23, 2026 - Meeting Notes

Planning Commissioners Present: Jason Alves, District 1; Jeff Skutley, District 2; Frank Corbin, District 3; Roger Moore, At-Large; Gretchen Fritsch, District 3; Nate Carpenter, District 1; Robert Hankins, District 2

Staff Present: Mindy Brooks, Director of Community Development; Natalie Kamieniecki, Senior Long Range Planner; Kylie Peckham, Office Assistant Senior;

Materials Used:

- Agenda
- Draft Meeting Notes – June 9, 2026

1. Zoom Guidelines

The clerk dispensed with the Zoom Guidelines.

2. Call to Order

A. Determination of a Quorum

6 Commissioners were present; there was a quorum. Commissioner Fritsch joined at 6:01 pm.

3. Agenda & Meeting Minutes

The Chair asked for consent to approve the agenda for June 23, 2026 and the meeting minutes from June 9, 2026. There were no corrections. There was consent to accept as presented.

4. Public Comment

There were no members of the public who wished to provide comments.

5. Workshop

A. Family Burial Grounds

Natalie Kamieniecki, Senior Long Range Planner for Community Development, gave a presentation on Family Burial Grounds. *See presentation for details.*

The following topics were discussed between Commissioners:

- Definition of a natural person
- Entities (trust – if a natural person is the trustee, will this be aloud on that parcel)
- Access Easements – single parcel vs during a land division
- Burial Types – above ground, below ground, etc.
- Setbacks and buffer reductions – Critical Areas, Shoreline
- Structures that require a building permit vs landscaping features
- Crematorium – suggestion to not allow
- Disclosures
- Demarcation of the burial grounds

Good of the Order:

B. Staff

Natalie – The Cannabis Code Amendments will go before the Board of County Commissioners tentatively on August 18th.

C. Planning Commissioners

There were no items from the Planning Commissioners for Good of the Order.

6. Calendar:

The next Planning Commission meeting will be on July 14, 2026, and the agenda item will be a second workshop on Family Burial Grounds.

7. Adjourn

Commissioner Moore made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm.