

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
October 5, 1995  
Public Library Meeting Room, 722 Court Street

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the City of The Dalles Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Terry Turner at 7:00 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present** Terry Turner, David Peters, Tom Quinn, Ken Farner and Michael Maier

**Absent** Marianne Barrett and Walter Hoffman

**Staff** Dan Durow, Director Community and Economic Development  
Dan Meader, Interim Planner  
Gene Parker, City Attorney  
Sallie Morgan, Administrative Secretary

**PUBLIC COMMENT** Chairman Turner opened the Planning Commission meeting asking for those wishing to speak on any subject not on the agenda.

Turner commented that Walter Hoffman was recovering from open heart surgery and passed around a get well card for everyone to sign.

**MINUTES**

Turner addressed the minutes of the September 7th Planning Commission meeting.

Farner moved to approve the minutes of the September 7th meeting with corrections. Maier seconded and the motion was carried unanimously; Barrett and Hoffman absent.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS - QUASI-JUDICIAL**

Turner explained the rules and procedures for public hearings and asked those testifying to keep comments to criteria for each application.

**VARIANCE 90-95** of Reva Christopherson to allow a 16-foot front yard set back for a lot on West 8th Street where a 20-foot set back is required. The lot is located at 2220 West 8th Street and is described as 2N-13E-32Da, Tax Lot 700.

Turner asked if any Commissioner wished to declare ex-parte or conflict of interest, hearing none Turner asked questions of staff.

Meader read staff report and recommended approval of the variance.

PROPONENTS: Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Miller, 2120 West 8th St. sent a letter to the commission stating that they had no objection to the set back of Reva Christopherson.

Tim Christopherson, 375 N.E.4th St. Dufur, Oregon

Christopherson stated that he was speaking for his mother, Reva Christopherson.

Christopherson explained that his mother needed the set back in order to place her 48' by 44' home on the property. He commented that if there was a problem with driveways, she could move the home away from Maple Street.

OPPONENTS: Donald L. Fry, 6745 Seven Mile Road

A letter was received from Fry stating that he was opposed to the set back because during the recent development of the property all parties had adhered to the 20 foot set back making the lots look aesthetically correct.

Public testimony portion of the hearing was closed.

Commission Deliberation.

Farner moved to approve Variance 90-95 as it is written. Peters seconded and it was carried unanimously with Barrett and Hoffman absent.

RESOLUTION SUBJECT TO PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL

Resolution No. P.C. 336-95 approving Variance 90-95 of Reva Christopherson to allow a 16-foot front yard set back at 2220 West 8th Street.

Farner moved and Peters seconded to adopt Resolution 336-95. The motion was passed unanimously; Barrett and Hoffman absent.

DEPARTMENT REPORT/DISCUSSION

Durow reported that he will be reviewing applications for the planning position possibly by next week and hopes to have someone on board by November 1st.

Parker stated that the Hi-Dollar John clean-up project was underway and approximately 4,500 tires had been taken off the site.

Parker commented that the site looked much better already and that they hoped to have it completed by sometime next week.

Parker stated that Wasco County owned the property through foreclosure for back taxes and would perhaps fence the property to keep people from dumping on it.

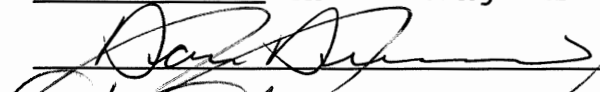
Parker indicated that he was reviewing the tapes concerning the Church of God issue and hoped to resolve the issue or at least know where it stood by the next Commission meeting.

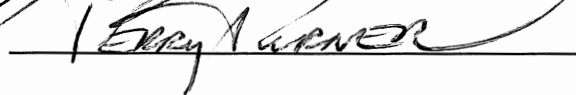
**COMMISSION COMMENTS AND CONCERNS**

Durow reported on the numerous projects underway. Safeway is hoping to open by November 20th and Ernst Hardware by December 1st.

Durow commented on the progress of the Veterans Home, the Discovery Center, the Chenoweth Interchange, the Downtown project, and the Airport project.

**ADJOURNMENT** The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

 Dan Durow, Planning Director

 Terry Turner, Chairman