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Planning & Zoning Commission  
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**PLANNING & ZONING MEETING**  
**January 21, 2026**  
**Paris Courthouse Commissioner's Room**  
**PARIS, ID.**

ATTENDANCE: CHAIRMAN ALBERT JOHNSON  
KRISTY CRANE -VICE CHAIRMAN  
SEAN BARTSCHI  
DEVIN BOEHME  
TODD TRANSTRUM  
PATRICK REESE  
ERIC BOMSTA---excused  
Paul Fitzer- Attorney from Boise on Zoom  
MITCH POULSEN, ADMINISTRATOR  
WAYNE DAVIDSON, SECRETARY

Chairman Johnson opens the meeting at 7:01 pm.  
The pledge of allegiance is led by Chairman Johnson.

**Motion** to approve the agenda is made by Kristy Crane, seconded by Sean Bartschi all in favor.

**Victor Reese lot split.** Victor Reese from Bloomington tells us what he wants to do. He has land from Reese lane to the cemetery, he is the trustee. They want to divide the land so the grandkids can have some place to camp. They don't want to divide it further at this point.  
Mitch's staff report reveals everything is in order. Its located in the Bloomington impact area. They submitted everything needed for the lot split. According to the lot split ordinance they can't split again for another 5 years.

**Motion to approve the Victor Reese lot split** is made by Todd Transtrum, seconded by Sean Bartschi all in favor.

**PacifiCorp.** Mitch explains they want a lot split of 4.9 acres in Paris canyon. They will dedicate some of those acres to the city of Paris. The power plant on the same land has no value to them now. They are dividing and selling parts of the land. Everything is submitted. Zoning density is one unit per acre.

**Motion to approve the PacifiCorp lot split** is made by Kristy Crane, seconded by Devin Boehme, all in favor.

**Changes to the subdivision ordinance.** Mitch reads some of the changes we have listed in past meetings. Some discussion about the perpetual conservation easement. The thing that people are concerned about is wells and subdivisions all over the county. Will Rocky Mountain Power oppose the multiple well permits? There have been some concerns about wells uphill for others. They can dry out the lower wells. Discussed an AG zone allowing a home for every 20-acre density. They also could lower the density per acre in areas closer to the cities, encouraging building in those areas. The state has some new statutes concerning impact areas and annexing. Mitch has some notes on the general ideas the board would like to see in the ordinances mostly concerning AG zoning. He will work on it and bring it back next month.

**Changes to Land Use Ordinance.** Discussing the ordinance concerning asphalt plants in the county. Do we need to have an ordinance for this? Other places allow asphalt plants if there is already a gravel pit of some kind, and the asphalt plant can set up inside the gravel pit area. Asphalt plants are usually temporary. They come and go as needed. We probably won't see these very often.

**Election of officers.** Albert Johnson and Kristy Crane both admit they are comfortable serving in their respective offices for the board. No other board member desires to fill those positions.

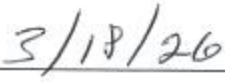
**Motion to Appoint** Albert Johnson as Chairman of the Bear Lake County Planning and Zoning Board, and Kristy Crane as the Vice-Chairman of the Bear Lake County Planning and Zoning Board for the 2026 season is made by Sean Bartschi, seconded by Devin Boehme, all in favor.

**Old business.** Concerning the Joes Gap rezone, Mitch spoke to the owner about the road standard.

**Motion** to approve the minutes for the November 2025 meeting is made by Todd Transtrum, seconded by Kristy Crane, all in favor.

**Motion** to adjourn is made by Sean Bartschi, seconded by Patrick Reese, all in favor at 8:30pm.

  
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Albert Johnson, Chairman

  
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