



BENTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting, 3/3/2026

6:00 p.m. Commissioners' Hearing Room, 3rd floor
7122 W. Okanogan Place, Kennewick WA Building E. Room 303

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ROLL CALL

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Martin Sheeran	☒	☐
Robert Mendez	☒	☐
Brian Skeels	☒	☐
Lloyd Coughlin	☐	☒
Kelly Hanson	☐	☒
Vacant	☐	☐
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STAFF: Brittany Merrill, Greg Wendt and Damien Hooper

Approval of Minutes: It was moved by Brian Skeels and seconded by Robert Mendez, that the February 3, 2026, minutes be approved as written.

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Martin Sheeran	☒	☐	☐	☐
Robert Mendez	☒	☐	☐	☐
Brian Skeels	☒	☐	☐	☐
Lloyd Coughlin	☐	☐	☐	☒
Kelly Hanson	☐	☐	☐	☒
VACANT	☐	☐	☐	☐
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Motion passed unanimously

NEW BUSINESS:

2026 Comprehensive Plan Workshop - A workshop to discuss the 2025-2026 Benton County Comprehensive Plan Update. Mr. Ben Floyd, of White Bluffs Consulting will be presenting the upcoming County planning process including the Natural Resource element, Economic element, Parks and Recreation element, Capital Facilities element as well as Utilities element.

Planning Commission member Lloyd Coughlin submitted his written comments regarding the workshop materials in advance of the meeting due to his absence, Ben Floyd with White Bluffs Consulting addressed those comments and corrections.

Ben Floyd with White Bluffs Consulting gave a presentation on the Comprehensive Plan elements listed in the agenda.

There being no further business before the planning commission the meeting was adjourned.

Martin Sheeran, Chairman DATE
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