

Peshastin Community Council  
Minutes of Regular meeting February 19, 2020  
Peshastin Memorial Hall

Council members present: Lauri Malmquist, chair; Steve Keene, Patricia Ortiz, Cheryl Parsley, Leticia Vizcaino, Stan Winters

Council member absent, excused: Doug Clarke

Community members present: Cyndi Garza, Peshastin; Tracey Beckendorf-Edou, Leavenworth; Jorge Torres, Peshastin; Sharon Waters, Leavenworth

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by chair Lauri Malmquist

The minutes of meeting January 15, 2020 were read and approved.

Treasurer's report: current balance \$1,534.83, unchanged.

Old business:

- 1) Nightly rentals within Peshastin UGA: a letter was sent to County Commissioners and the Planning Commission asking that these illegal business be asked to cease doing business. The county responded that enforcement cannot take place and fines cannot be levied while the matter is in appeal. Stan reports the next appeal will be heard in Chelan County Superior Court on March 6, 2020. Council and community members are welcome to attend although no witnesses or testimony will be accepted.
- 2) There was discussion about requesting a moratorium on any nightly rentals within the UGA while the county is working on a county wide plan. Lauri will research this and contact council members with a preliminary proposal.
- 3) Mill site update: there has been continued use of the site by dog owners, and there continues to be a significant amount of dog waste. It was suggested that at the time of the Peshastin spring cleanup that there could also be cleanup of the mill site, specifically of dog waste. This is usually around the time of Earth Day, in late April; a date will be scheduled at the March meeting. It was reported that a Leavenworth Facebook site promotes the mill site as a place to walk dogs off leash, and perhaps cleanup could be promoted on that site as well.

New Business:

- 1) Tracey Beckendorf-Edou, superintendent of Cascade School District, reports that the district is in the process of strategic planning. As a part of that, the district is planning to schedule area meetings to invite community input about community values, school values, and vision for future direction of the district. Tricia volunteered to be the contact for scheduling a time and place for a Peshastin area meeting. The district would like to have this completed by April. Ideas for publicizing a meeting included flyers to Headstart, Blue Bird, Hi-up, Peshastin Market, Saysa Market and the library, as well as notice to the Peshastin Facebook page and Peshastin website.
- 2) Dr. Beckendorf-Edou announced a meeting at the Cascade High School scheduled for Monday February 24 at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to request community input as to whether the school district should sell the Osborne Elementary School property.
- 3) For future meetings, Lauri will send email request for agenda items to council members prior to the meeting. There was discussion of the need for developing a strategic plan for the council, which may include review/update of the UGA document.
- 4) Announcements of upcoming events: February 27 at 6 pm at Peshastin Library, presentation of Washington Humanities speaker about the future of salmon; February 29 at Wenatchee Public Library, open forum with Ann Dimond, candidate for state representative.

- 5) Report from Sharon Waters of the Leavenworth City Council: City of Leavenworth is planning a large sewage treatment plant update. There is an ongoing corridor traffic study encompassing Coles Corner to Cashmere, which has definite ramifications for Peshastin. Link transportation is planning changes to service, which may include no bus entry into Peshastin. Consensus of the council is that Link service into the town of Peshastin is important for many residents. The council will send a letter to Link with this information.
- 6) Report from Lauri of the PRSA: Chelan County is in the process of strategic planning, which includes a plan for all non-motorized trails in the county. The hope is that a coordinated master plan will include input from all jurisdictions in the county, and allow for grant applications to help provide for further trail development and maintenance.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted ,

Patricia Ortiz, Secretary