Peshastin Community Council, subcommitte on short term rentals

Telephone discussion 3:29 p.m.

March 6, 2020

Council members present: Steve Keene, Stan Winters, Patricia Ortiz

Burke Consulting per telephone: Lisa Greeter, public policy consultant hired by Chelan County Commissioners to assist with development of short term rental regulations for Chelan County.

Burke Consulting has been hired to perform a situation assessment, to review comments, previous proposals and public comments received by the county, and then to provide options the county may wish to consider for regulation of short term rentals. After a document has been developed it will proceed to the Planning Commission for review.

The Peshastin Community Council has been asked to provide formal comments as part of this process, including statement of goals and any requests for adaptation to local conditions. Ms. Greeter states the intent is to propose code specific to the UGAs in the county (Peshastin and Manson).

Questions raised include, What is the definition of community? Burke Consulting is looking at data, such as current location of short term rentals in the county, e.g. have they historically been located in second homes? She used the term "census defined places" which may apply to the Peshastin area as it is unincorporated. In work for Chelan, and other counties and cities, what is enforceable code, and what are guidelines? Should there be limits of days per year for short term rentals in residential zones?

What is the role of Peshastin Community Council? Ms. Greeter suggests input from the council; Steve will forward to her the link for the Peshastin UGA document, to include the land use chart of permitted uses in the various zones of Peshastin UGA. She has access to the letters and comments about short term rentals that have been submitted to the county from Peshastin residents and the Council. Any further comments or information from the council are to be forwarded to Kirsten, staff for the Community Development Department.