

Peshastin Community Council  
Special Meeting  
March 29, 2021  
Via videoconference

Council members present: Lauri Malmquist, chair; Stan Winters, Patricia Ortiz, Steve Keene

Council members absent, excused: Leticia Vizcaino, Cheryl Parsley  
Council member absent, unexcused: Doug Clarke

Chair Lauri Malmquist called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

The sole purpose of the special meeting is to discuss the Cascade Public Infrastructure Fund, which is funded through Washington state and administered through Chelan County.

Applications are being accepted today, March 29, 2021 through May 7, 2021 for awards in 2021. Review of applications will take place May 10 through May 21, then on May 26 an advisory committee will convene to review, score and rank applications. An additional meeting is scheduled for June 2 if needed. The Board of County Commissioners will then make the final awards. There are \$739,000 available for award in 2021, and approximately another \$2.5 million over the next 2 years. The focus is on infrastructure and/or projects to promote economic development of benefit especially to rural areas of the county.

The Peshastin Water District is submitting an application for improvements to the community water system. Steve reports the application is extensive, complex and technical, and in the case of the PWD the engineering firm that was been consulting for them is assisting with a large part of the application.

Tricia nominated Stan for the Council representative on the advisory committee; Steve seconded the motion; the motion passed with 3 ayes and 1 abstention.

Discussion was held regarding potential projects that could benefit Peshastin; given the short time that applications can be submitted and the complexity required it was agreed that it is unlikely the Council can submit any application this year. However the Council is willing to send a letter of support for the PWD application.

With more time to prepare, it is possible the Community Council could submit an application in the future. Entities making application are encouraged to seek funding from additional sources as well. At this time the Council does not have funds required to hire consultants for this scope of project.

Discussion was held regarding the need for further drainage work under BNRR, as well as the bottom of Orchard St. This may be an issue for future consideration.

Lauri will submit Stan's name to Blake Baldwin, to represent Peshastin on the advisory committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Ortiz, Secretary